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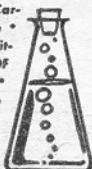
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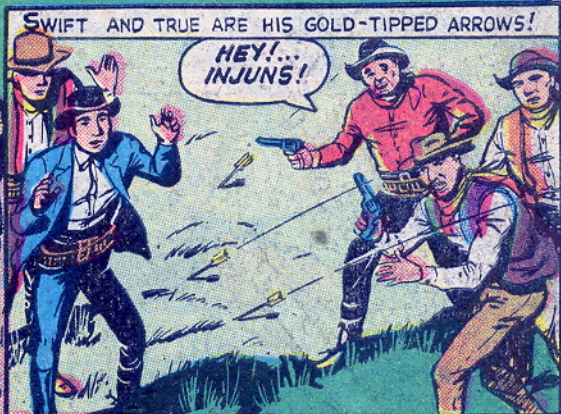
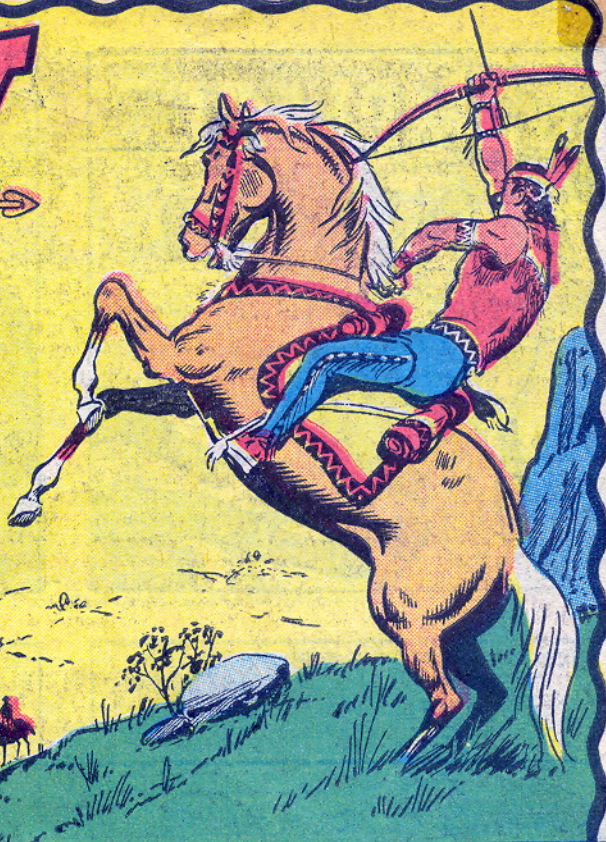
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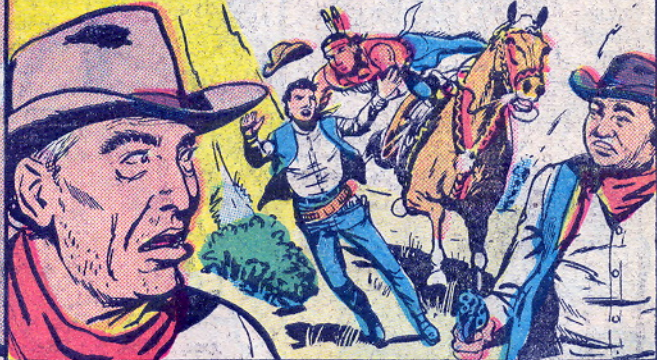
STRAIGHT ARROW

BARE ARE THE MEAT RACKS IN THE LODGES OF THE COMANCHES—AND **STRAIGHT ARROW**, THEIR MIGHTIEST WARRIOR, RIDES TO HUNT FOOD FOR HIS HUNGRY TRIBESMEN! ...BUT THE HUNT MUST WAIT NOW, FOR EVIL MEN ARE RAIDING THAT WAGON-TRAIN! ...AND SO STARTS THE GRIM TALE OF THE

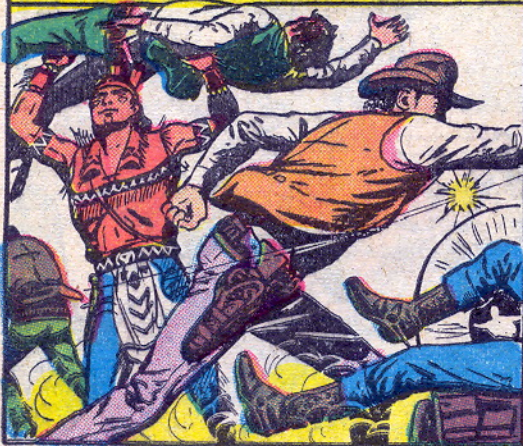
"PERILOUS CARGO"



AND NOW AS THE BAD MEN STAND ROOTED BY SHOCK, THE GREAT COMANCHE GALLOPS FORWARD ON FURY!



THE HEARTS OF THE WAGONERS ARE FILLED WITH JOY AT THE SIGHT OF **STRAIGHT ARROW!** THEIR OWN COURAGE REBORN, THEY JOIN HIM IN BATTLE AGAINST THE RAIDERS!



AND SOON— LOOK AT THEM— THEY CAN'T RUN FAST ENOUGH! IF NOT FOR YOU, THEY'D HAVE GOTTEN AWAY WITH THAT WAGONLOAD OF RIFLES!

RIFLES? ... THAT IS WHAT THE RAIDERS WERE AFTER?

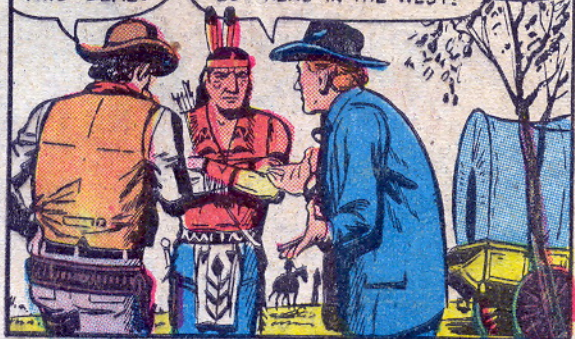


NOTHING ELSE!... **SILAS PRESCOTT** IS MY NAME—I'VE JUST COME FROM BACK EAST...AND I DON'T MIND TELLING YOU THAT MOST OF MY FORTUNE'S TIED UP IN THAT CARGO!... THIS IS MY COUSIN, **TOM HARROD**.



WE'RE NOT IN THE CLEAR BY A LONG SHOT, SILAS...I'M SORRY NOW I TALKED YOU INTO THIS DEAL!

YOU'RE NOT TO BLAME, TOM! I WAS THE ONE WHO WROTE YOU TO ASK WHAT INVESTMENT OUT HERE WOULD BRING ME THE BIGGEST RETURN ON MY MONEY. AND THAT RAID PROVES YOU WERE RIGHT. RIFLES ARE WORTH A LOT HERE IN THE WEST!



THE RAID PROVES SOMETHING ELSE TOO— THAT DESPERATE MEN HAVE LEARNED WHAT YOUR CARGO IS! AND THEY WILL STRIKE AGAIN...!

YOU FIGURE WE COULD GET SOME SOLDIERS TO ESCORT US, TOM?



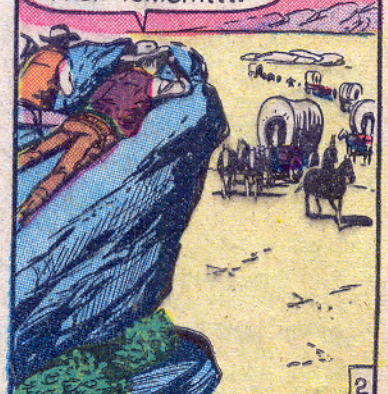
NOT IN TIME— THE NEAREST FORT'S BEYOND WHERE WE'RE HEADED FOR.

THOSE RAIDERS MEAN TO SELL THE RIFLES TO HOSTILE INDIANS— FROM THEM THEY CAN GET THE HIGHEST PRICE. IF THAT HAPPENS, AND WAR SPREADS, ALL INDIANS WILL SUFFER! I'LL RIDE WITH YOU...



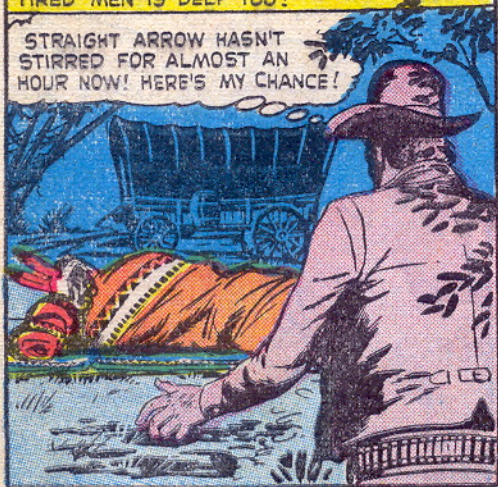
AND SO, THE NEXT DAY—

THAT INJUN'S RIDING WITH THEM! BUT THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT—THE BOSS SENT WORD THAT HE'LL SETTLE STRAIGHT ARROW'S HASH TONIGHT...!



NIGHT FALLS. INSIDE THE CIRCLE OF WAGONS THE SHADOWS ARE DEEP, AND THE SLEEP OF THE TIRED MEN IS DEEP TOO!

STRAIGHT ARROW HASN'T STIRRED FOR ALMOST AN HOUR NOW! HERE'S MY CHANCE!



BUT THE SENSES OF THE GREAT COMANCHE, SHARPENED BY HUNDREDS OF BATTLES AND HUNTS, ARE KEEN AND QUICK!

WHO'S THAT? WHAT DO YOU WANT?



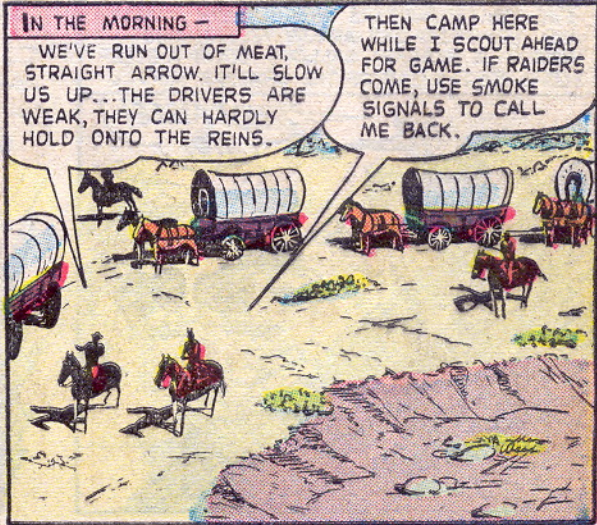
J-JUST WALKING ABOUT, STRAIGHT ARROW. COULDN'T SLEEP — THAT'S ALL.



IN THE MORNING —

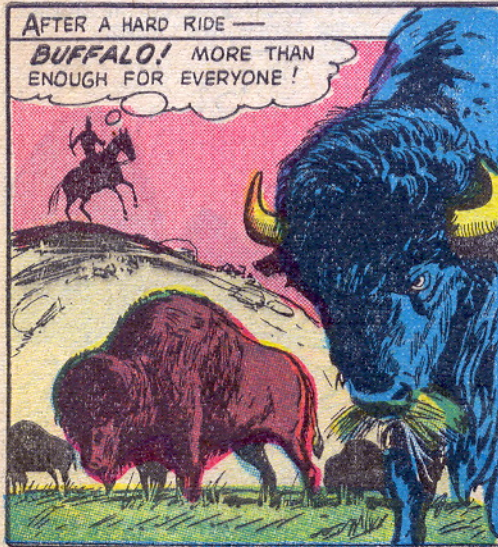
WE'VE RUN OUT OF MEAT, STRAIGHT ARROW. IT'LL SLOW US UP...THE DRIVERS ARE WEAK, THEY CAN HARDLY HOLD ON TO THE REINS.

THEN CAMP HERE WHILE I SCOUT AHEAD FOR GAME. IF RAIDERS COME, USE SMOKE SIGNALS TO CALL ME BACK.



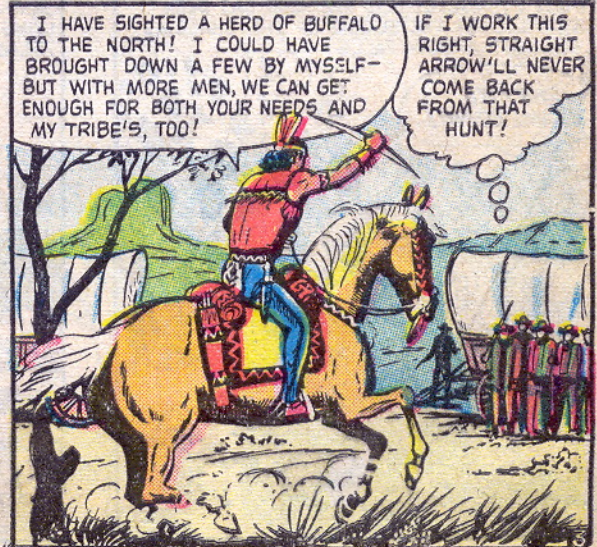
AFTER A HARD RIDE —

BUFFALO! MORE THAN ENOUGH FOR EVERYONE!



I HAVE SIGHTED A HERD OF BUFFALO TO THE NORTH! I COULD HAVE BROUGHT DOWN A FEW BY MYSELF — BUT WITH MORE MEN, WE CAN GET ENOUGH FOR BOTH YOUR NEEDS AND MY TRIBE'S, TOO!

IF I WORK THIS RIGHT, STRAIGHT ARROW'LL NEVER COME BACK FROM THAT HUNT!

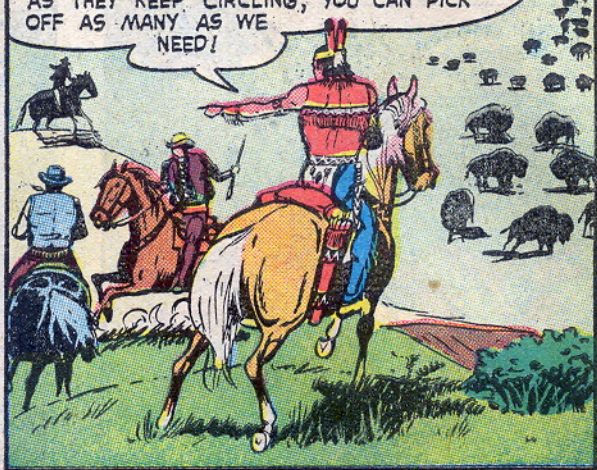


HIGH ON A RIDGE AND WELL-GUARDED STANDS THE WAGON-TRAIN, SO THE HUNTERS WILL NEVER LOSE SIGHT OF IT....

MOUNT UP, EVERYBODY! IF EVERYTHING GOES WELL, WE'LL BE EATING OUR FILL TONIGHT!

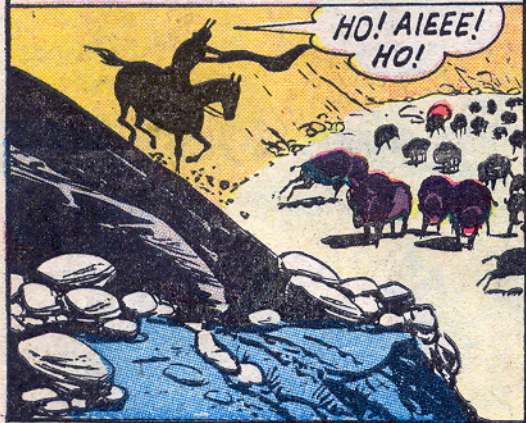


YOU MEN SPREAD OUT ON THE HERD'S FLANK WITH YOUR RIFLES READY! I'LL RIDE DOWN IN FRONT OF THE HERD! I'LL TURN THEM ... AND AS THEY KEEP CIRCLING, YOU CAN PICK OFF AS MANY AS WE NEED!

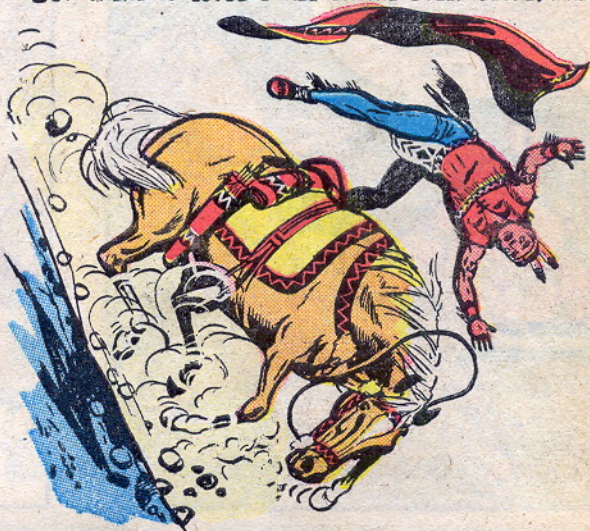


THE WHITE HUNTERS ARE IN THEIR PLACES! AND NOW STRAIGHT ARROW, YELLING AND WAVING A BLANKET, GALLOPS DOWN A STEEP SLOPE JUST AHEAD OF THE GRAZING HERD...

HO! AIEEE!
HO!



BUT THERE IS LOOSE SHALE ON THE STEEP SLOPE! AND-

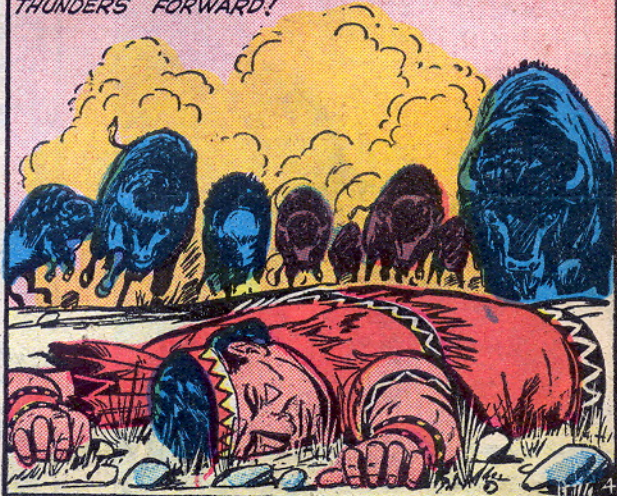


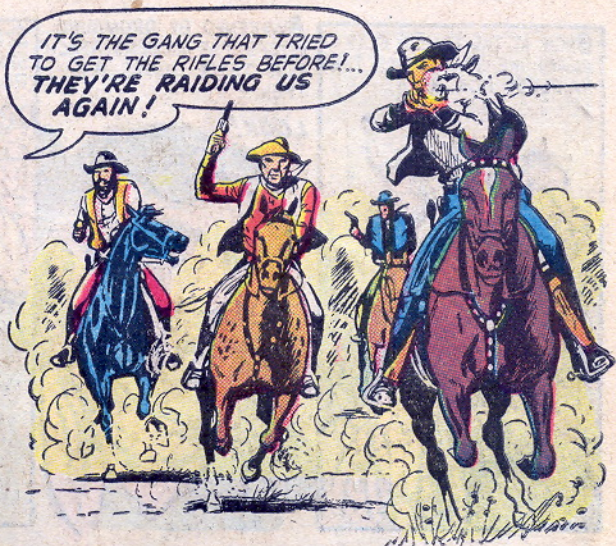
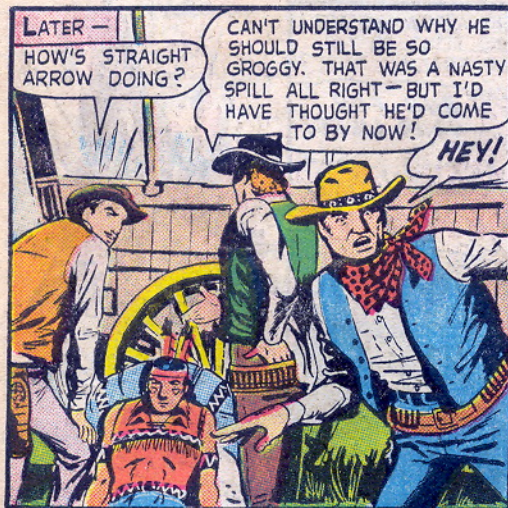
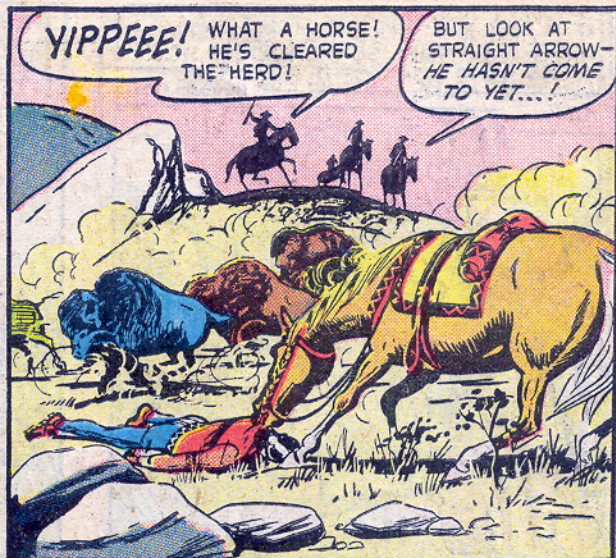
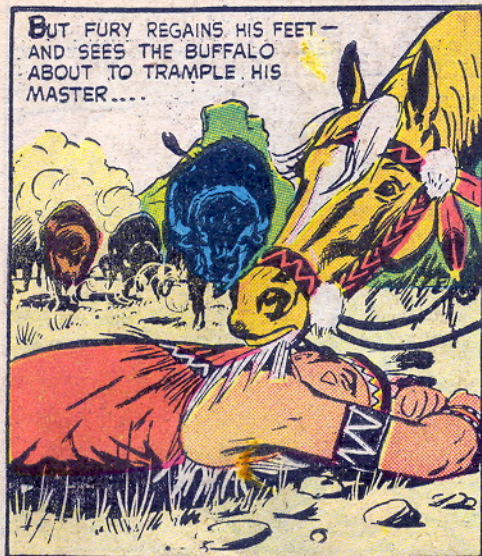
FURY STUMBLES! AND THE HERD HAS BEEN STARTLED BY THE SLIDING OF THE SHALE AS STRAIGHT ARROW FALLS!

THEY'RE STAMPEDING!

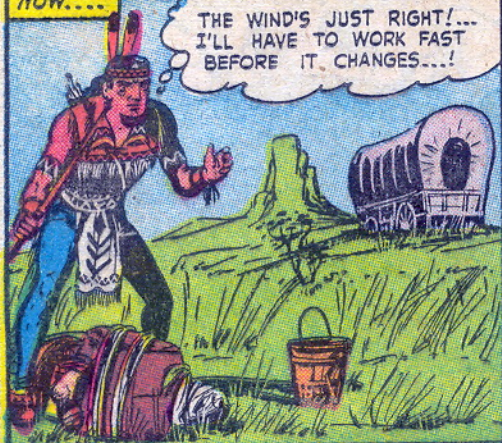


AND NOW-WITH STRAIGHT ARROW STILL ON THE GROUND, LYING MOTIONLESS IN THEIR PATH-THE HERD THUNDERS FORWARD!



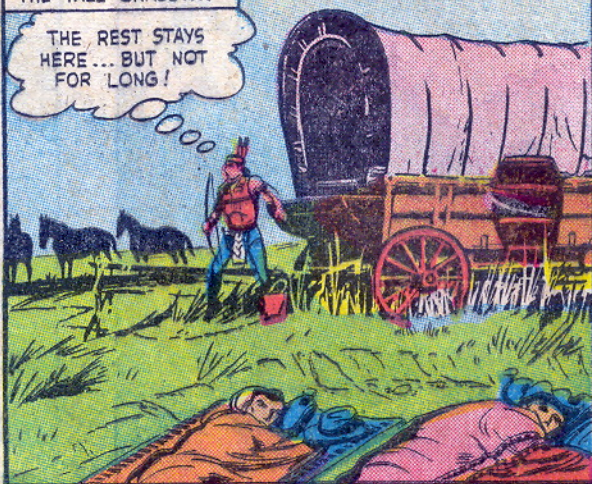


IT IS DARK NOW—AND THE RAIDERS HAVE CAMPED DOWN AFTER HIDING THE STOLEN WAGON IN TALL GRASS... A MOMENT AGO ONE OF THEM WAS STILL AWAKE, GUARDING THE HORSES. BUT NOW....



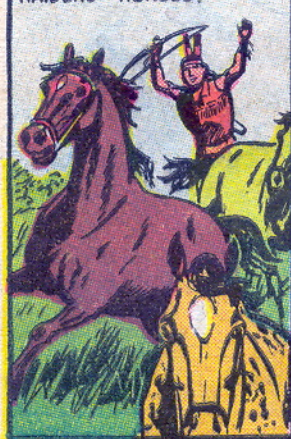
THE WIND'S JUST RIGHT!... I'LL HAVE TO WORK FAST BEFORE IT CHANGES....!

MORE SILENT THAN A GLIDING SHADOW IS STRAIGHT ARROW AS HE LAYS A TRAIL OF GUNPOWDER THROUGH THE TALL GRASS....



THE REST STAYS HERE... BUT NOT FOR LONG!

BACK AT THE TRAIL'S START AGAIN, HE STAMPEDES THE RAIDERS' HORSES!



AWAKENED BY DRUMMING HOOFES, THE RAIDERS REACH FOR THEIR GUNS! BUT THEN—

LOOK!



STRAIGHT ARROW HAS SET A SPARKING FLINT TO THE POWDER TRAIL!



—AND NOW—

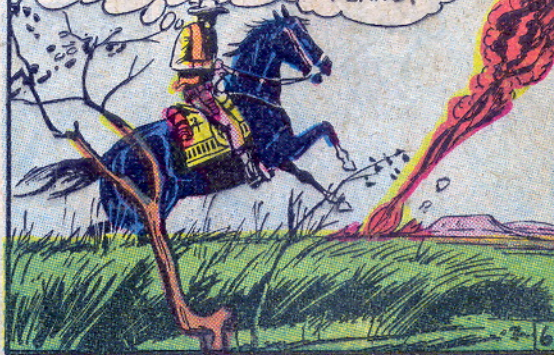


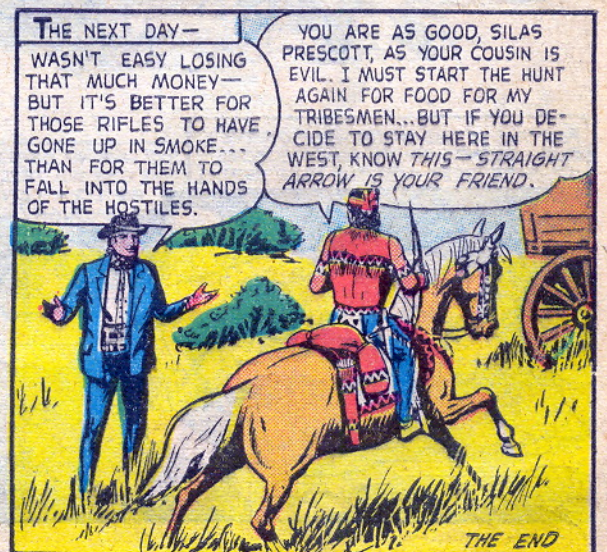
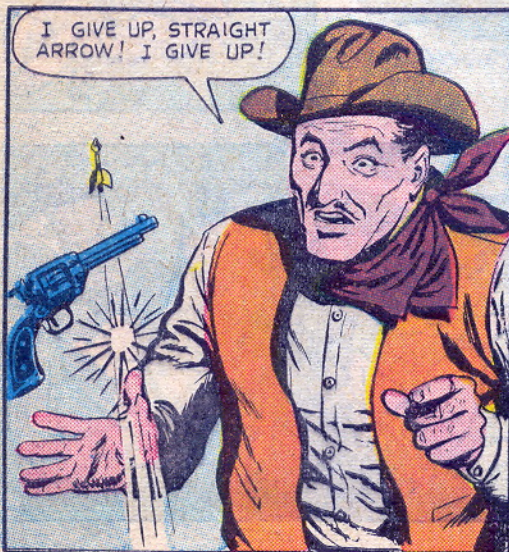
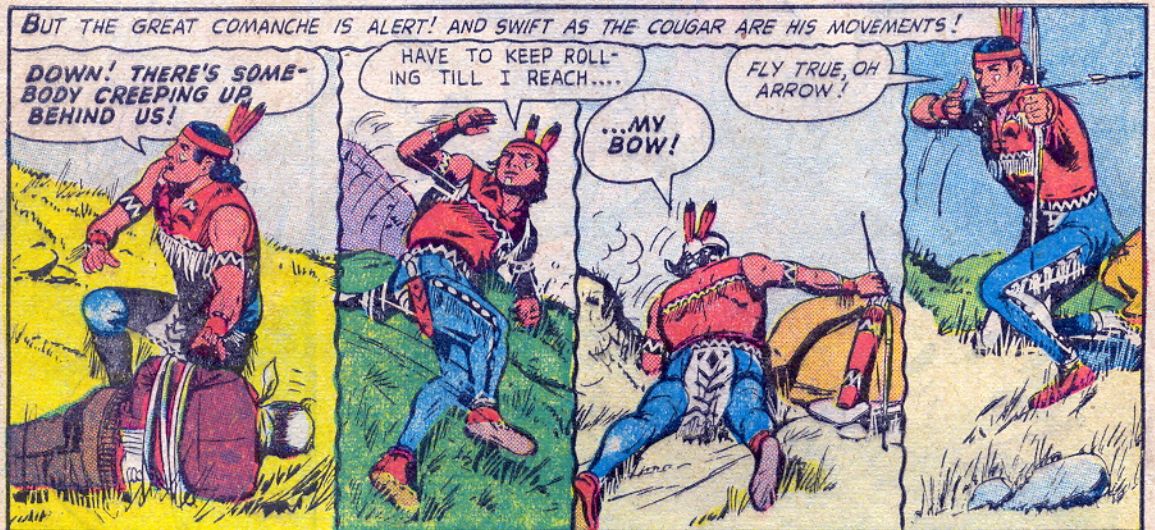
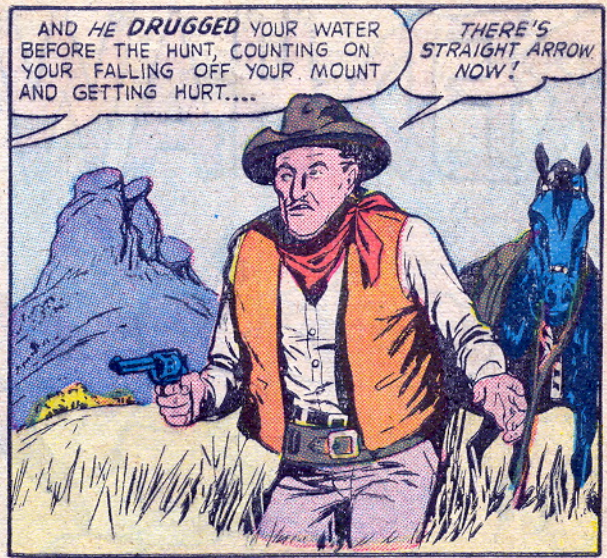
STOP YOUR TREMBLING—I HAVE PULLED YOU OUT OF HARM'S WAY! I CAME ONLY TO DESTROY THE RIFLES! YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS WILL ALL LIVE TO STAND TRIAL!



BUT EVEN THEN, IN A NEARBY ARROYO —

ONE OF MY OWN MEN HIT ME TOO HARD IN THE FRACAS BACK AT THE WAGON SITE... AND I COULDN'T LIGHT OUT AFTER STRAIGHT ARROW IN TIME TO STOP HIM FROM BLOWING THAT RIFLE CARGO SKY-HIGH! BUT I'M HERE NOW... AND STRAIGHT ARROW'S GOING TO PAY FOR MESSING UP MY PLANS!





RED HAWK

IT IS THE SOMETIME CUSTOM OF THE PLAINS INDIANS TO STEAL THEIR WIVES FROM AMONG THE PRETTY MAIDENS OF RIVAL TRIBES. AND WHEN **THROWING HAND**, A WAR CHIEF OF THE LIPANS, SEES **PRETTY DAWN GIRL** OF THE CHEYENNES, HE FORGETS THE OLD LEGENDS AND SETS HIMSELF UP IN DEFIANCE OF **RED HAWK**, TO MAKE A—

CAPTURE AT THE WATERHOLE

THE LIPANS HAVE TAKEN DAWN GIRL— AND NOW **THIS** HAS TO HAPPEN!

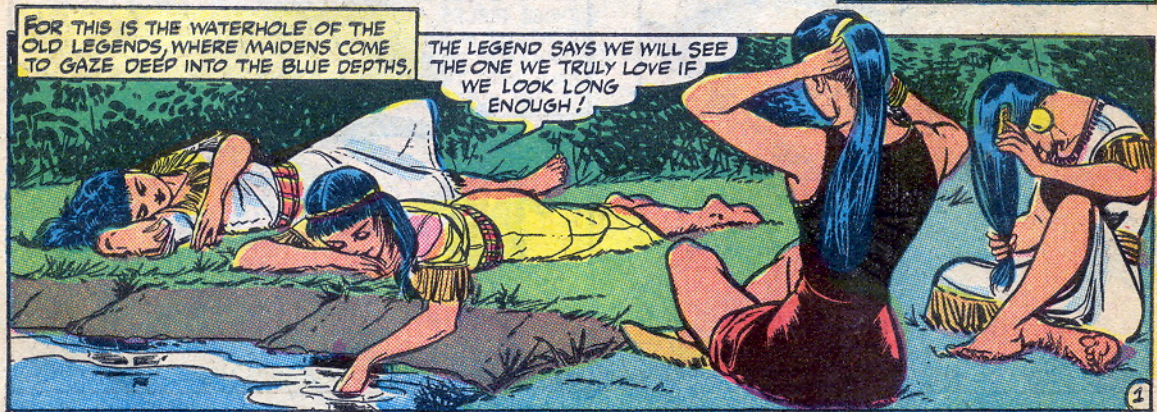
THE WATERHOLE THAT DIVIDES THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN CHEYENNE LAND AND LIPAN LAND IS HIGH IN THE CANYON COUNTRY. HERE WARRIORS MEET IN PEACE, WITH OLD QUARRELS FORGOTTEN...

THE CHEYENNE RESPECT THE PEACE OF THE WATERHOLE. WE SHALL NOT FIGHT!

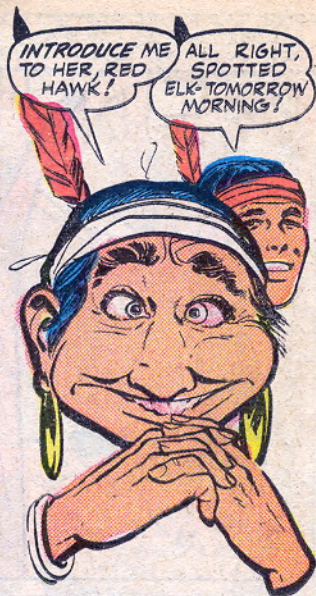


FOR THIS IS THE WATERHOLE OF THE OLD LEGENDS, WHERE MAIDENS COME TO GAZE DEEP INTO THE BLUE DEPTHS.

THE LEGEND SAYS WE WILL SEE THE ONE WE TRULY LOVE IF WE LOOK LONG ENOUGH!

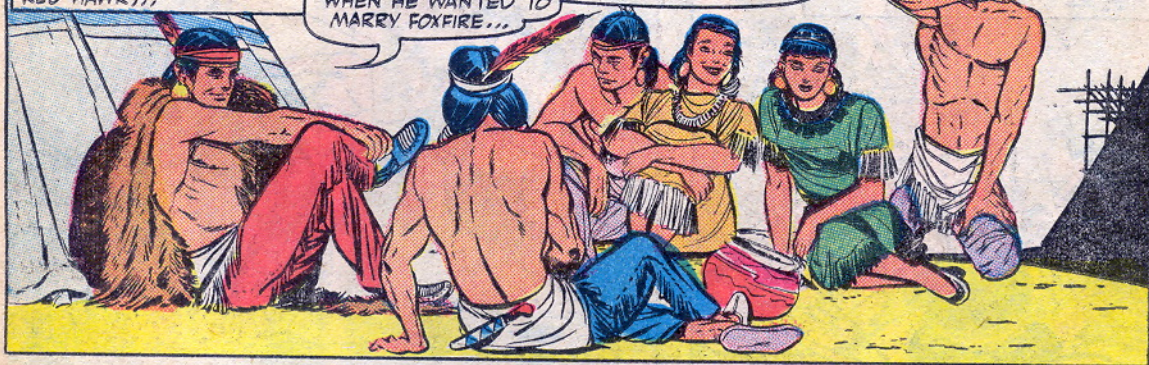


IT IS HERE THAT **SPOTTED ELK**, A VISITING CHEYENNE, FIRST SEES LOVELY **DAWN GIRL**—

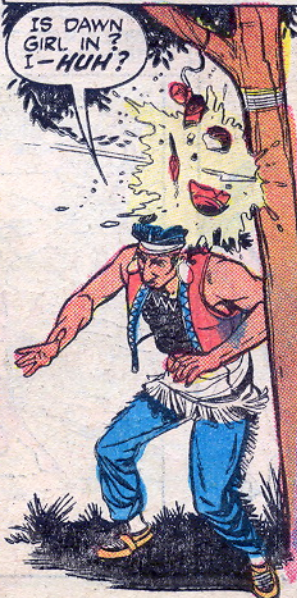


UNKNOWN TO SPOTTED ELK, DAWN GIRL IS A MEMBER OF THAT FUN-LOVING GROUP OF CHEYENNES HEADED BY RED HAWK...

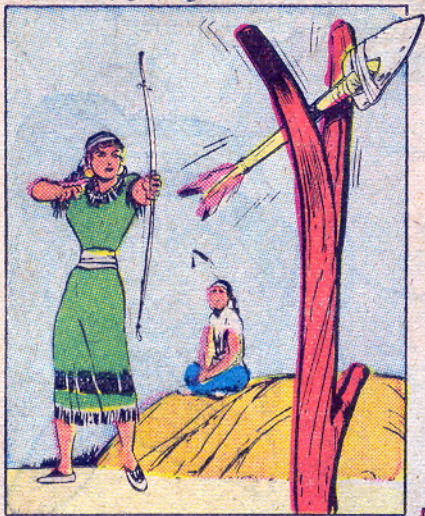
SPOTTED ELK WANTS TO COURT DAWN GIRL! I SAY WE **TEST** HIM, TO MAKE SURE HE IS FIT FOR HER... JUST AS WE TESTED **YOUNG BUFFALO** WHEN HE WANTED TO MARRY FOXFIRE...



NEXT MORNING, AS SPOTTED ELK COMES CALLING—A KNIFE COMES FLYING...



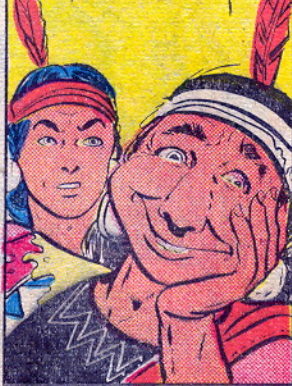
FOR TWO HOURS, SPOTTED ELK SITS AND WATCHES, AS DAWN GIRL PRACTICES HER MARKSMANSHIP—



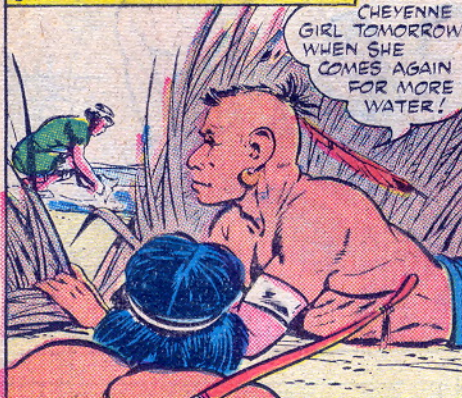
GULP! SHE—
SHE NEVER
MISSES,
DOES
SHE?
NEVER! THE MAN WHO
MARRIES HER WILL GET A
GOOD WIFE! OF COURSE,
HE'LL HAVE TO BEHAVE HIM-
SELF IF HE WANTS
TO REMAIN
HEALTHY!



YOU STILL
WANT TO
MARRY
HER?
YES!
SIGH: I
SURE DO!



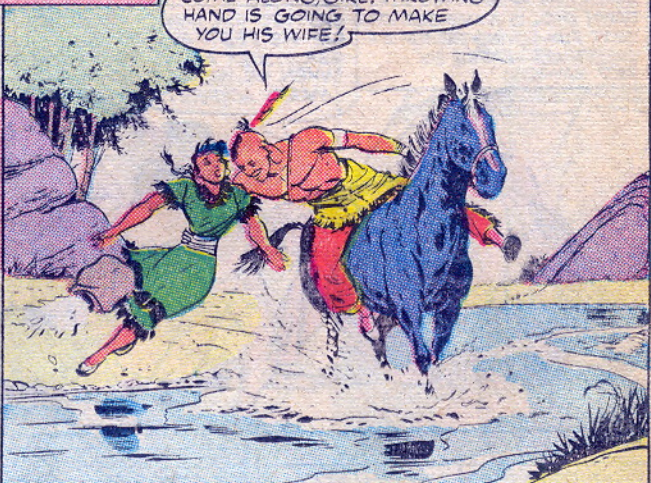
UNKNOWN TO RED HAWK AND THE
OTHER CHEYENNES, THROWING
HAND, A WAR CHIEF OF THE
LIPANS, HAS ALSO SEEN DAWN
GIRL—



WE WILL
CAPTURE
THE
CHEYENNE
GIRL TOMORROW
WHEN SHE
COMES AGAIN
FOR MORE
WATER!

NEXT MORNING—

COME ALONG, GIRL, THROWING
HAND IS GOING TO MAKE
YOU HIS WIFE!



A WORRIED SPOTTED ELK HAUNTS RED HAWK
FOR THE REST OF THE DAY—

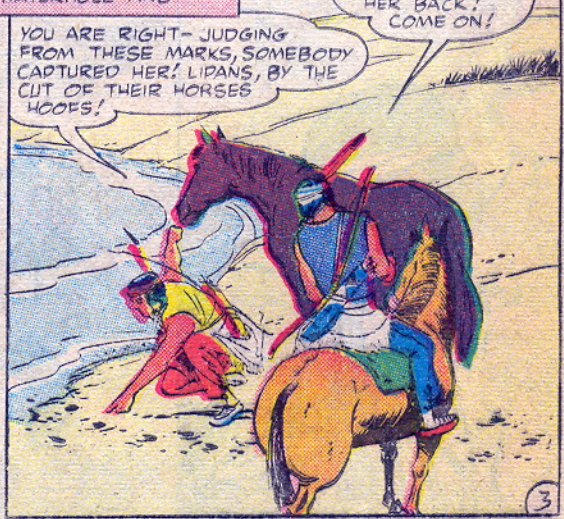
YOU LOVESICK FELLOWS ARE ALL ALIKE.
IF YOU DON'T SEE YOUR GIRL FROM ONE
HOUR TO THE NEXT, YOU IMAGINE THE
THE WORST... WELL, LET'S
GO FIND HER!



A QUICK RIDE TO THE
WATERHOLE AND—

YOU ARE RIGHT—JUDGING
FROM THESE MARKS, SOMEBODY
CAPTURED HER! LIPANS, BY THE
CUT OF THEIR HORSES
HOES!

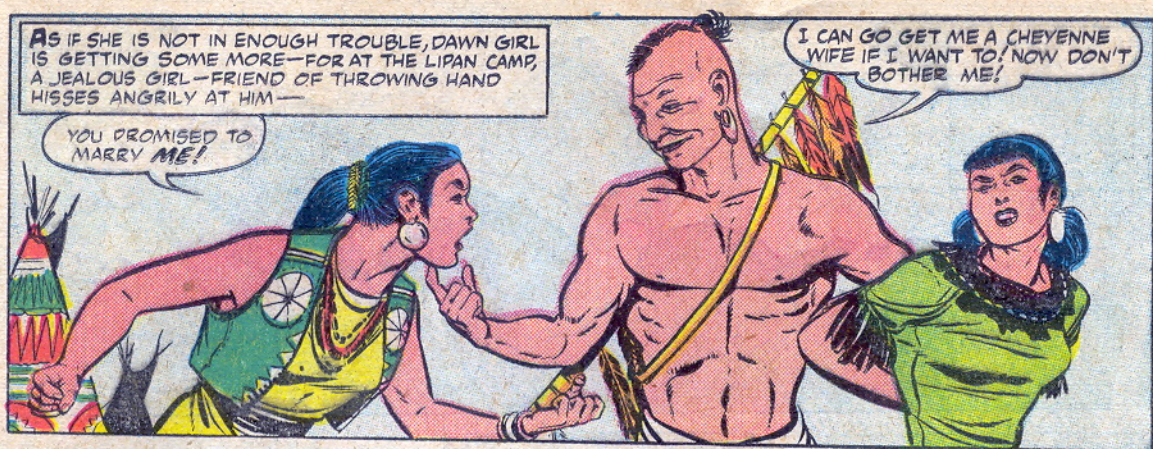
LET'S GO AFTER
THEM AND GET
HER BACK!
COME ON!



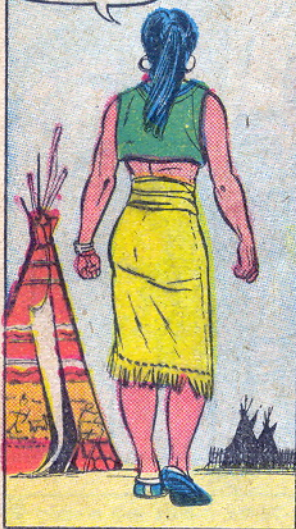
AS IF SHE IS NOT IN ENOUGH TROUBLE, DAWN GIRL IS GETTING SOME MORE—FOR AT THE LIPAN CAMP, A JEALOUS GIRL—FRIEND OF THROWING HAND HISSES ANGRILY AT HIM—

I CAN GO GET ME A CHEYENNE WIFE IF I WANT TO! NOW DON'T BOTHER ME!

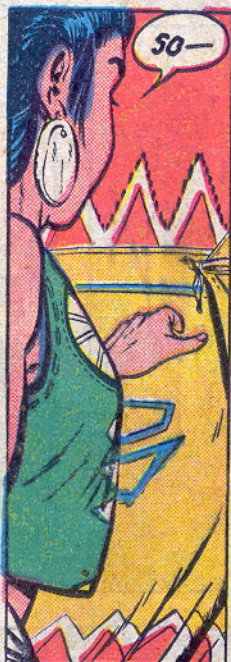
YOU PROMISED TO MARRY ME!



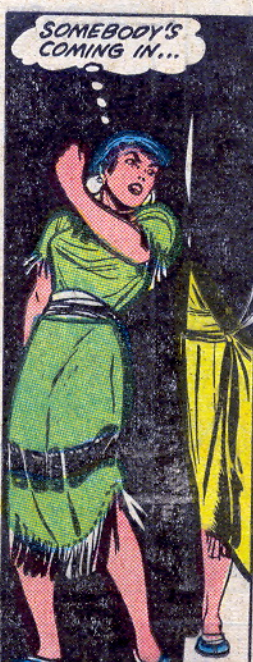
IF THROWING HAND THINKS HE CAN THROW ME OVER, HE'S GOT ANOTHER THINK COMING! IF I DO AWAY WITH THE CHEYENNE GIRL, HE CAN'T MARRY HER!



SO—



SOMEBODY'S COMING IN...



OH! I THOUGHT IT WAS **THROWING HAND**. STILL MAYBE I DID MYSELF A FAVOR AFTER ALL!

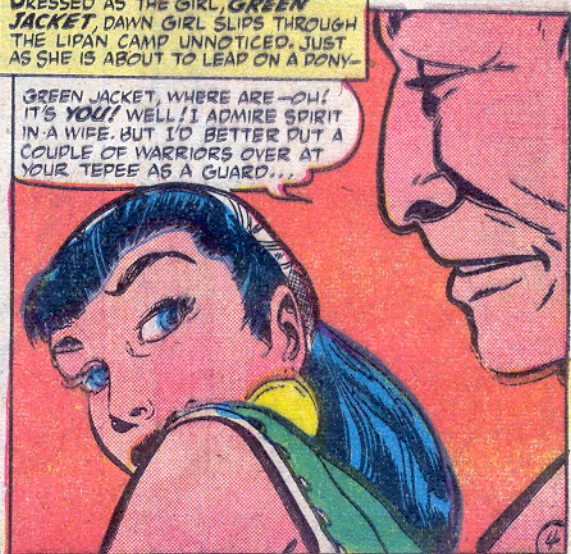


IN HER CLOTHES, MAYBE I CAN GET AWAY. NOBODY WILL SUSPECT ANYTHING!

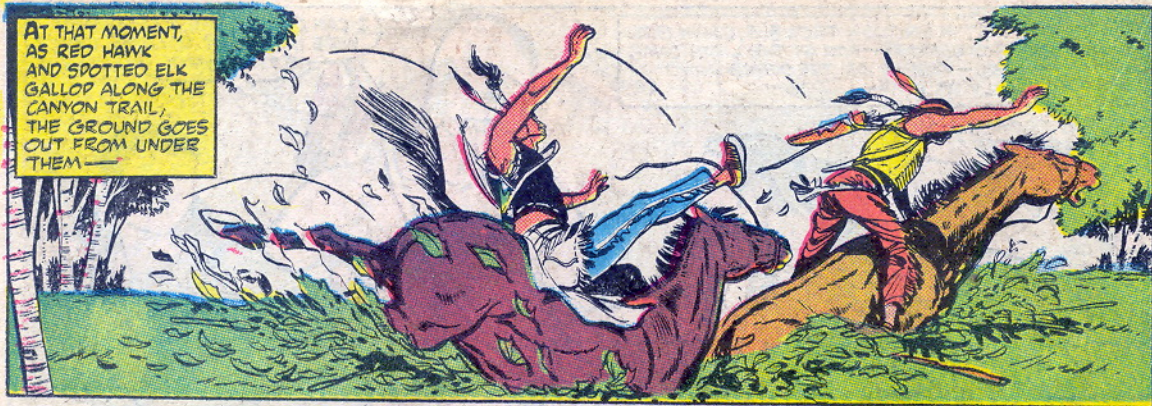


DRESSED AS THE GIRL, **GREEN JACKET**, DAWN GIRL SLIPS THROUGH THE LIPAN CAMP UNNOTICED. JUST AS SHE IS ABOUT TO LEAP ON A PONY—

GREEN JACKET, WHERE ARE—OH! IT'S **YOU!** WELL, I ADMIRE SPIRIT IN A WIFE. BUT I'D BETTER PUT A COUPLE OF WARRIORS OVER AT YOUR TEEPEE AS A GUARD...



AT THAT MOMENT,
AS RED HAWK
AND SPOTTED ELK
GALLOP ALONG THE
CANYON TRAIL,
THE GROUND GOES
OUT FROM UNDER
THEM—



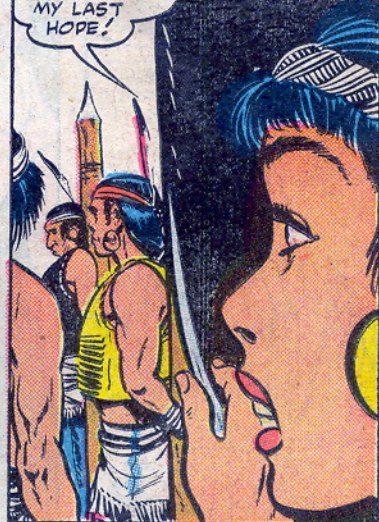
IN A MOMENT, WAITING LIPAN
BRAVES GRASP AND HOLD
THEM HELPLESS...



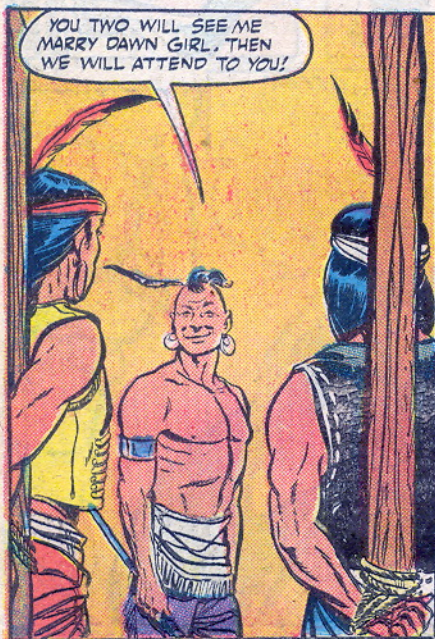
TIED, THEY ARE BROUGHT
INTO THE LIPAN CAMP—



RED HAWK AND
SPOTTED ELK—
CAPTURED!
THERE GOES
MY LAST
HOPE!



YOU TWO WILL SEE ME
MARRY DAWN GIRL. THEN
WE WILL ATTEND TO YOU!



CHEER UP, SPOTTED ELK!
I'VE BEEN IN TIGHTER
PLACES THAN THIS!

YES, BUT NEVER
WITH ME! HOW CAN
WE POSSIBLY
ESCAPE FROM
HERE?



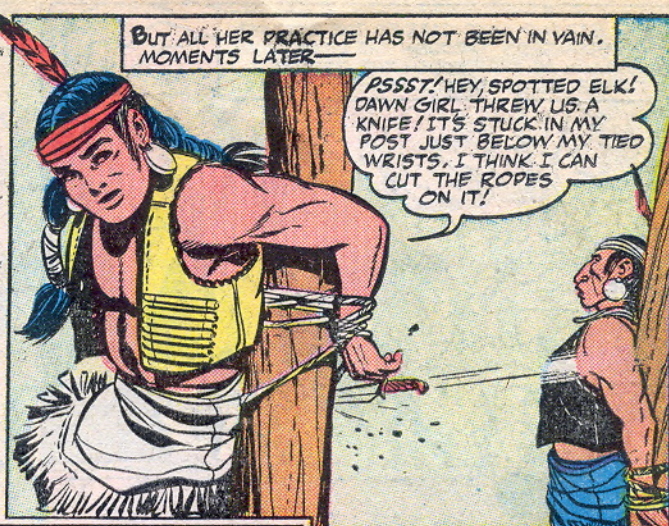
IN THE TEPEE WHERE SHE IS HELD
A PRISONER, DAWN GIRL SUDDENLY
STOPS AND BENDS...

MAYBE I
CAN HELP
RED HAWK
AND
SPOTTED
ELK!



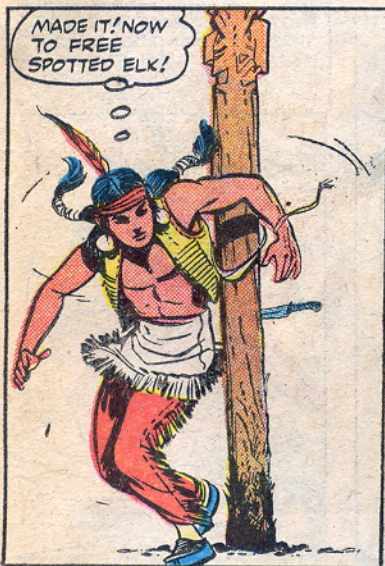


GREEN JACKET DROPPED HER KNIFE WHEN I HIT HER WITH THAT VASE. IF I CAN THROW IT STRAIGHT ENOUGH, I CAN REACH THE POLE TO WHICH RED HAWK IS TIED. BUT THE WIND IS STARTING TO COME UP AND IT MAY BLOW IT OFF COURSE—



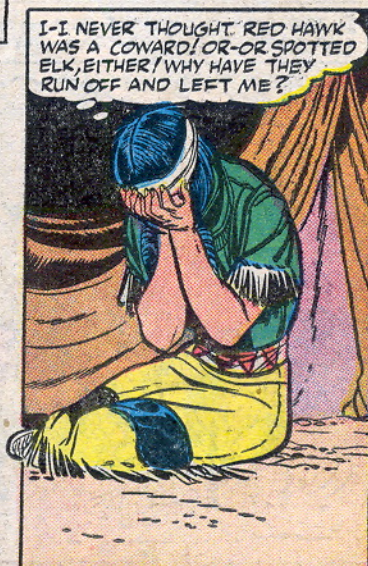
BUT ALL HER PRACTICE HAS NOT BEEN IN VAIN. MOMENTS LATER—

PSST! HEY, SPOTTED ELK! DAWN GIRL THREW US A KNIFE! IT'S STUCK IN MY POST JUST BELOW MY TIED WRISTS. I THINK I CAN CUT THE ROPES ON IT!



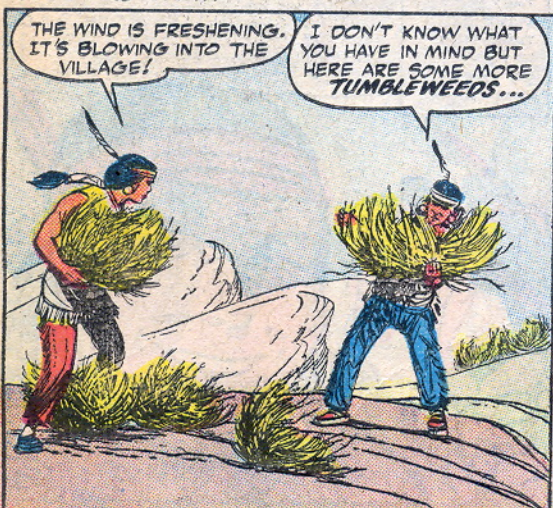
MADE IT! NOW TO FREE SPOTTED ELK!

TO DAWN GIRL'S AMAZEMENT, AS SOON AS RED HAWK AND SPOTTED ELK ARE FREE, THEY RUN AWAY!



I-I NEVER THOUGHT RED HAWK WAS A COWARD! OR-OR SPOTTED ELK, EITHER! WHY HAVE THEY RUN OFF AND LEFT ME?

YES, RED HAWK AND SPOTTED ELK RUN AWAY, BUT THEY DO NOT RUN FAR...



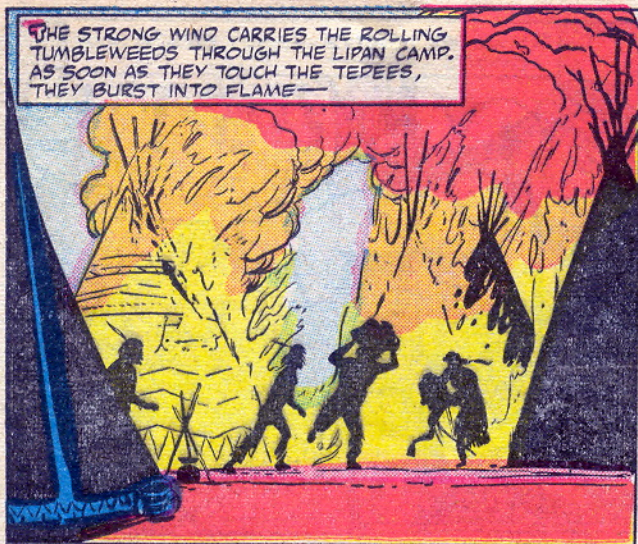
THE WIND IS FRESHENING. IT'S BLOWING INTO THE VILLAGE!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE IN MIND BUT HERE ARE SOME MORE **TUMBLEWEEDS...**

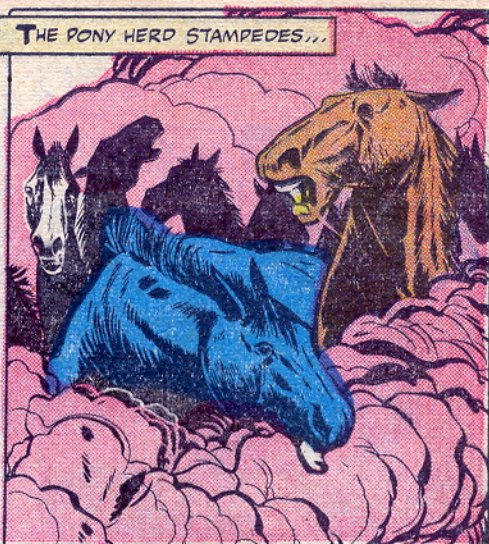


LOOK! I'M SETTING FIRE TO THIS TUMBLEWEED! YOU SET FIRE TO SOME MORE! THE WIND WILL FAN THE FLAMES AND CARRY THE WEEDS DOWN INTO THE LIPAN VILLAGE!

THE STRONG WIND CARRIES THE ROLLING
TUMBLEWEEDS THROUGH THE LIPAN CAMP.
AS SOON AS THEY TOUCH THE TEPEES,
THEY BURST INTO FLAME—



THE PONY HERD STAMPEDES...

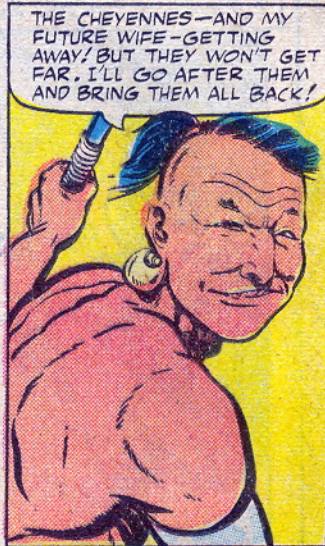


IN THE CONFUSION COME RED HAWK
AND SPOTTED ELK, SPURRING HARD—

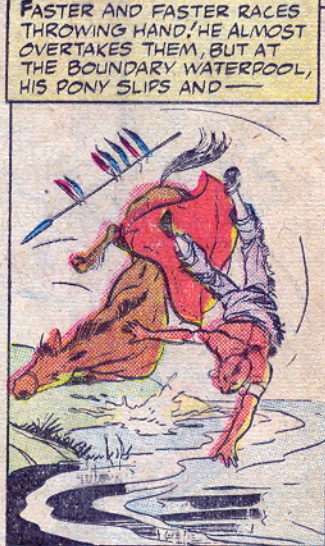
YOU DIDN'T RUN AWAY
AFTER ALL!



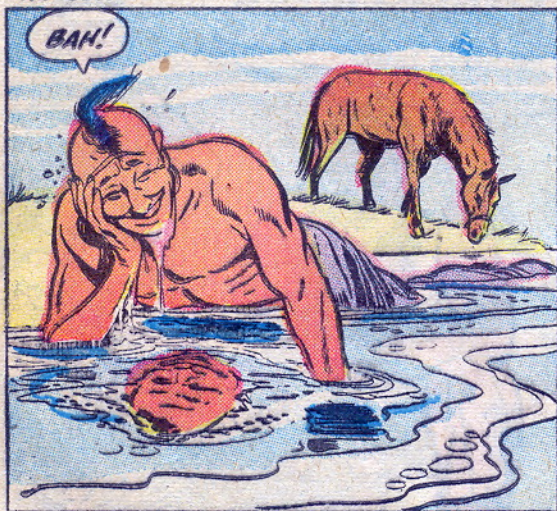
THE CHEYENNES—AND MY
FUTURE WIFE—GETTING
AWAY! BUT THEY WON'T GET
FAR. I'LL GO AFTER THEM
AND BRING THEM ALL BACK!



FASTER AND FASTER RACES
THROWING HAND. HE ALMOST
OVERTAKES THEM, BUT AT
THE BOUNDARY WATERPOOL,
HIS PONY SLIPS AND—

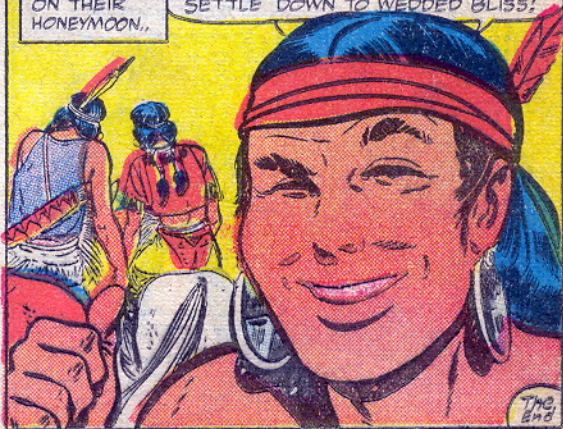


THE LEGEND SAYS A WARRIOR WILL SEE THE ONE HE
LOVES AT THE POOL, THROWING HAND SEES ONLY
HIMSELF—!



SPOTTED ELK
AND DAWN
GIRL? OH,
THEY GOT
MARRIED.
THEN THEY
SET OFF
ON THEIR
HONEYMOON.

THOSE PONIES ARE WELL TRAINED.
THEY'LL SLIP THEIR HOBBLIES AND
RETURN TO CAMP. COME MORNING,
SPOTTED ELK AND DAWN GIRL WILL
HAVE TO WALK BACK. ONE LAST
JOKE ON THEM BEFORE THEY
SETTLE DOWN TO WEDDED BLISS!



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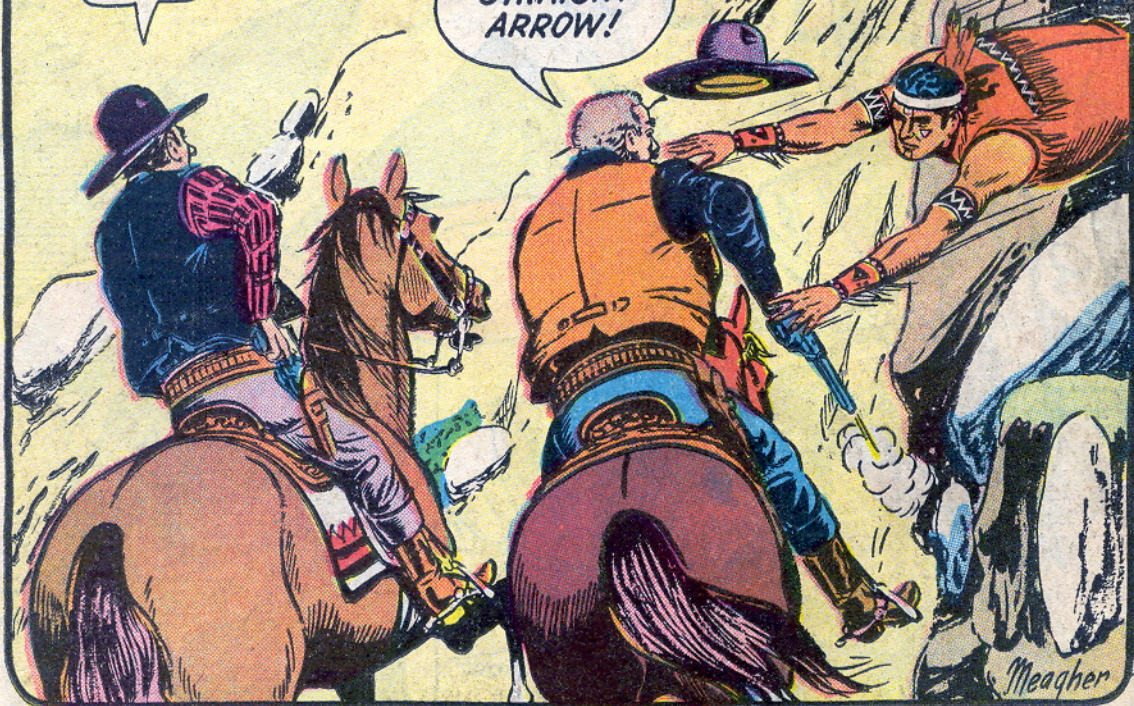
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NO COD'S

STRAIGHT ARROW

THERE COMES THAT PESKY GAL
MORT DIAMOND WANTS DRYGULCHED!
... ALL WE HAVE TO DO NOW
IS —

LOOK OUT!
IT'S
STRAIGHT
ARROW!

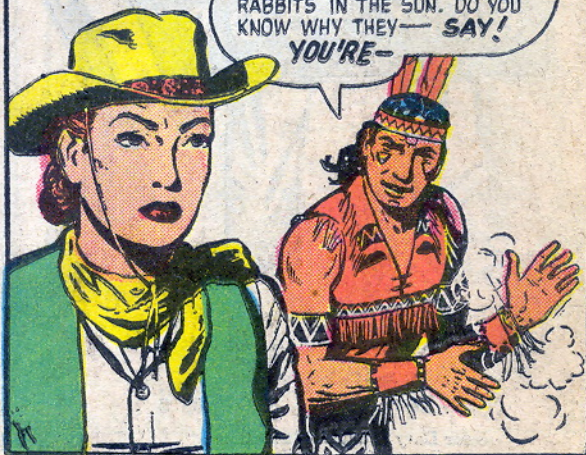


YOUR SPURS GLINTING IN
THE SUN CAUGHT MY EYE!
... NOW YOU TRY
CATCHING MY FISTS!



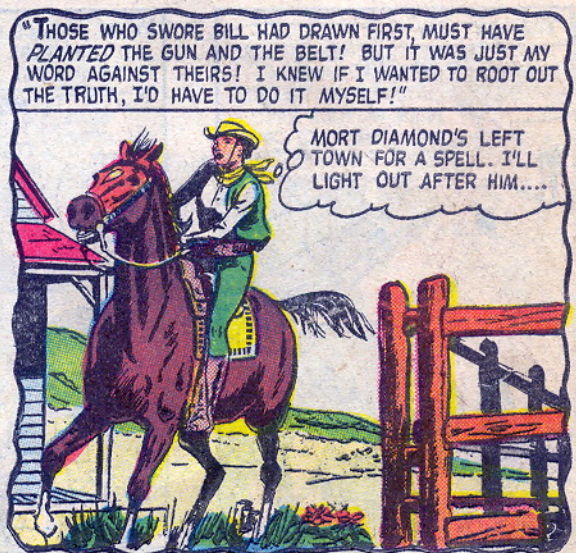
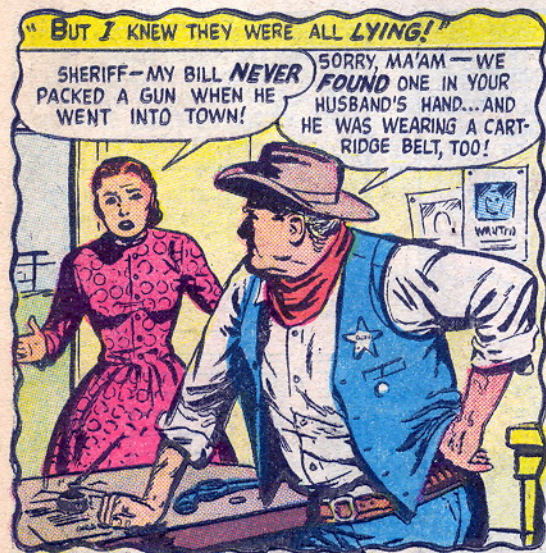
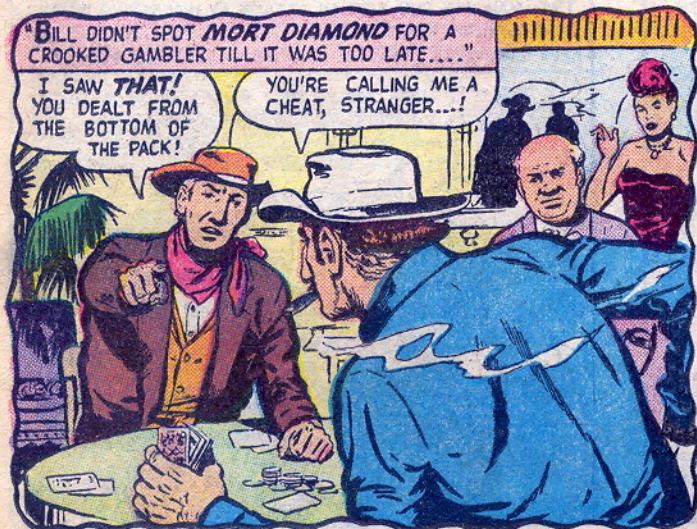
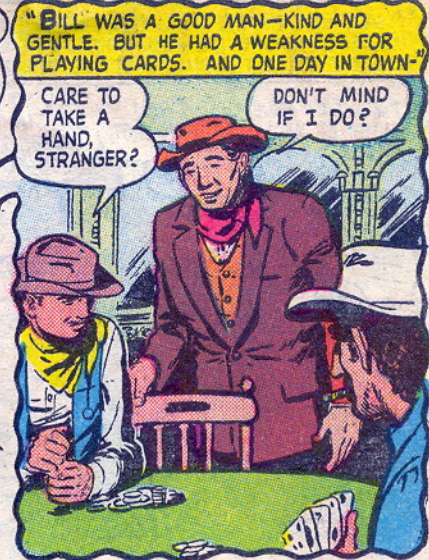
THE DRYGULCHERS TRY TO STAND THEIR GROUND—BUT
STRAIGHT ARROW, THE MIGHTIEST OF ALL COMANCHE
WARRIORS, IS TOO MUCH FOR THEM!

THEY RUN LIKE
RABBITS IN THE SUN. DO YOU
KNOW WHY THEY— SAY!
YOU'RE—





I'M ON THE TRAIL OF THE VARMINT WHO DID MY HUSBAND IN!... CHANCES ARE YOU NEVER KNEW MY **BILL**. WE WERE STILL NEW TO THIS TERRITORY WHEN HE DIED...



"I'VE BEEN ON HIS TRAIL EVER SINCE—BUT HE'S MANAGED TO STAY ONE JUMP AHEAD OF ME. HE KNOWS I'M AFTER HIM! JUST THE OTHER NIGHT—"

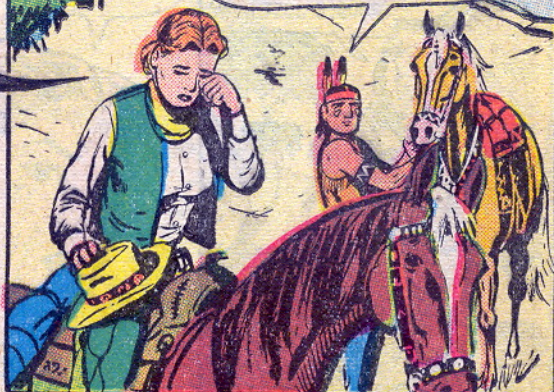
FRIEND OF MINE THINKS YOU MIGHT BE HEALTHIER BACK EAST, MA'AM. HE'S WILLING TO STAKE YOU TO THE FARE.

TELL YOUR FRIEND I'M STAYING ON HERE... I HAVE A JOB TO DO!

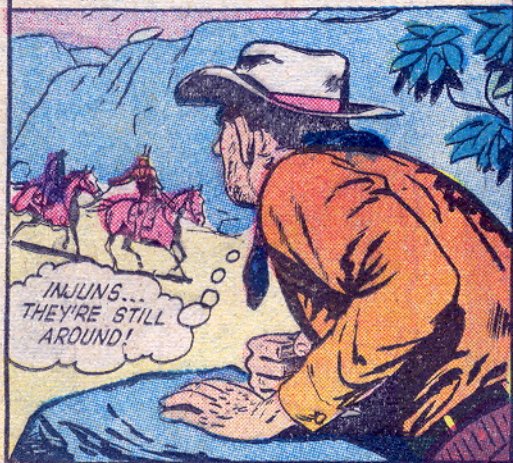


AND JUST NOW, YOU SAW YOURSELF WHAT HAPPENED!

I WILL HELP YOU. BUT SORROW AND ANGER HAVE KEPT YOU SLEEPLESS TOO LONG. COME WITH ME TO THE COMANCHE CAMP WHERE YOU CAN REST AND BE SAFE.

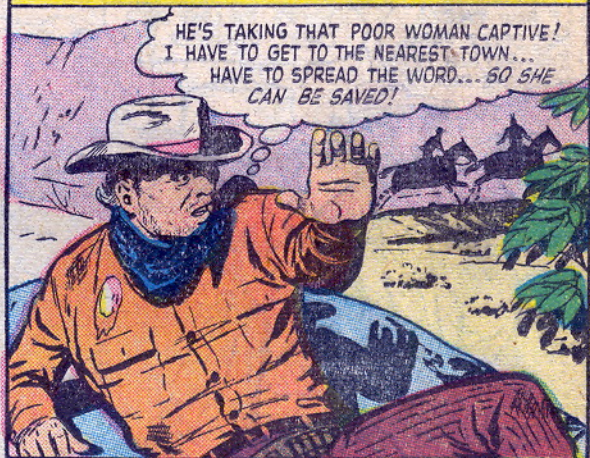


AND SO STRAIGHT ARROW KEEPS TALKING SOOTHINGLY—AND HE DOESN'T KNOW THAT TWO BLOOD-SHOT EYES ARE STARING DOWN AT HIM...



INJUNS... THEY'RE STILL AROUND!

THIS MAN HAS SURVIVED AN ATTACK BY WANDERING HOSTILES ON A WAGON-TRAIN! WOUNDED, HE HAD BLACKED OUT, AND KEPT CRAWLING OVER THE BLAZING SANDS! AND NOW—



HE'S TAKING THAT POOR WOMAN CAPTIVE! I HAVE TO GET TO THE NEAREST TOWN... HAVE TO SPREAD THE WORD... SO SHE CAN BE SAVED!

THE NEXT DAY—

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

STRANGER JUST DRAGGED HIMSELF INTO TOWN! THERE'S BEEN AN INJUN RAID!... THE COMANCHES CAPTURED A WOMAN!



WORD SPREADS LIKE WILDFIRE! AND IT HAPPENS THAT THIS TOWN IS THE PRESENT HEADQUARTERS OF—

WE'RE ALL HERE, MORT! WHAT'VE YOU GOT ON YOUR MIND?

WE KNOW THIS TALE ABOUT THE COMANCHES CAPTURING A WOMAN ISN'T TRUE! BUT NOBODY ELSE KNOWS! AND THEY'RE RILED-UP...!



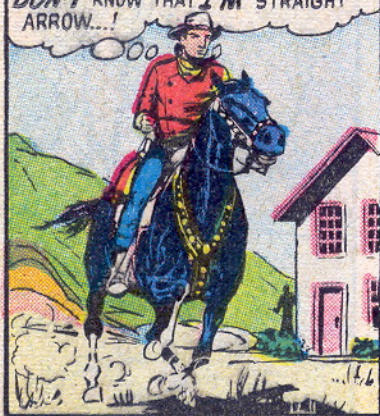
OUR JOB IS TO SEE THEY STAY RILED! AND WHEN THE POSSE'S FORMED TO RIDE ON THE COMANCHE CAMP WE'LL RIDE ALONG! ONCE WE'RE OUT THERE, WHILE ALL THE FIGHTING'S GOING ON, IT'LL BE A CINCINCH TO GET RID OF THAT PESKY WOMAN AND STRAIGHT-ARROW!

IT'LL BE A SORTA DOUBLE DOOM FOR THOSE TWO, HUH, MORT?

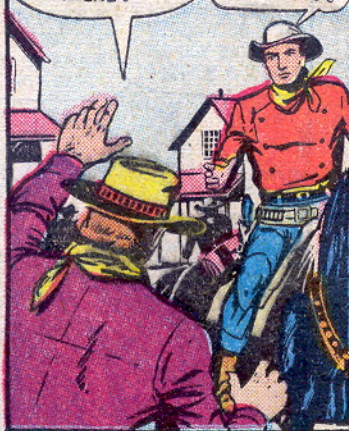


MEANWHILE STEVE ADAMS RIDES INTO TOWN—

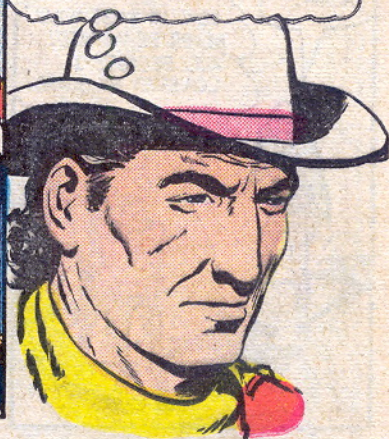
IT'LL BE EASIER GETTING NEXT TO DIAMOND THIS WAY! HIS MEN ALREADY KNOW STRAIGHT ARROW TOOK A HAND AGAINST THEM—BUT THEY **DON'T** KNOW THAT I'M STRAIGHT ARROW...!



HOWDY, STEVE—YOU CAME JUST IN TIME! WE'RE FORMIN' A POSSE TO RIDE ON THE COMANCHE CAMP AND FREE A WOMAN THEY'RE HOLDIN' CAPTIVE THERE!

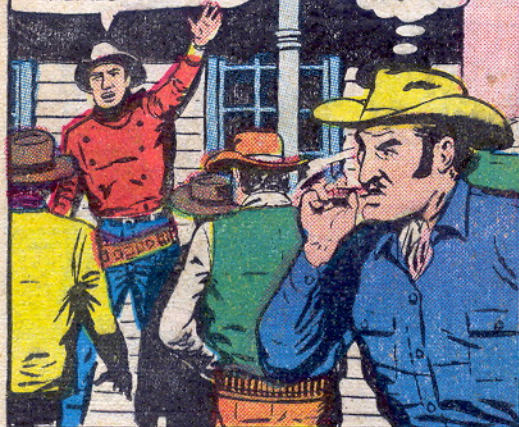


THAT'S A **LIE!** BUT I CAN'T TELL THEM HOW I KNOW FOR SURE WITHOUT THEIR GUESSING I'M **STRAIGHT ARROW!**... HMMM—NO REASON WHY I CAN'T TRY TALKING THEM OUT OF IT....



SURE, LET'S RIDE OUT TO THE COMANCHES! BUT NOT BEFORE EVERYBODY'S CALMED DOWN...!

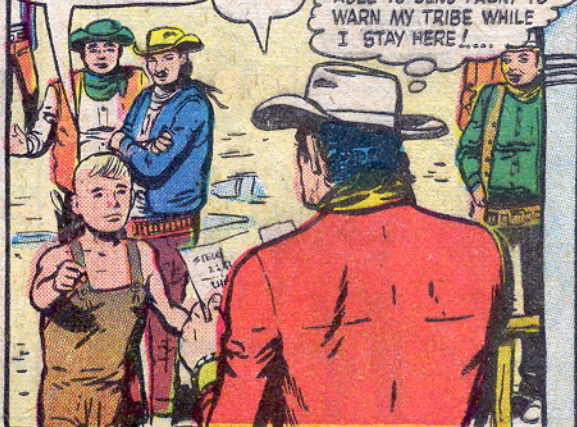
CAN'T LET STEVE ADAMS KEEP TALKING THIS WAY ... HAVE TO STOP HIM FAST!



A FEW MINUTES LATER—
HERE'S A NOTE FOR YOU, MR. ADAMS!

THANKS, SON.

GOOD OLD PACKY'S IN TOWN... HE WANTS TO SEE ME! WHAT LUCK—I'LL BE ABLE TO SEND PACKY TO WARN MY TRIBE WHILE I STAY HERE!....

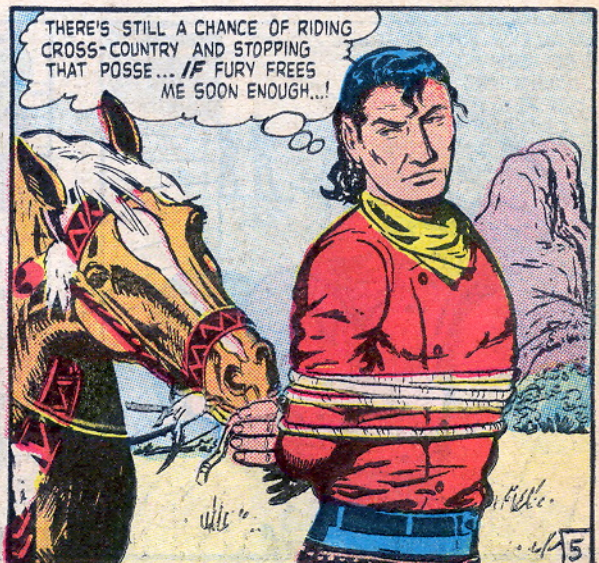
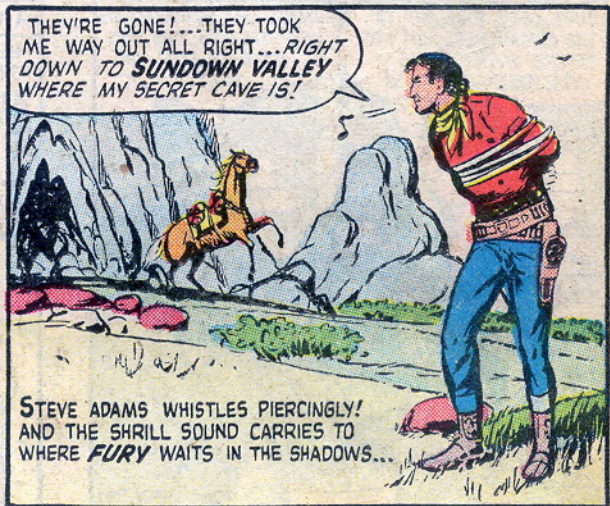
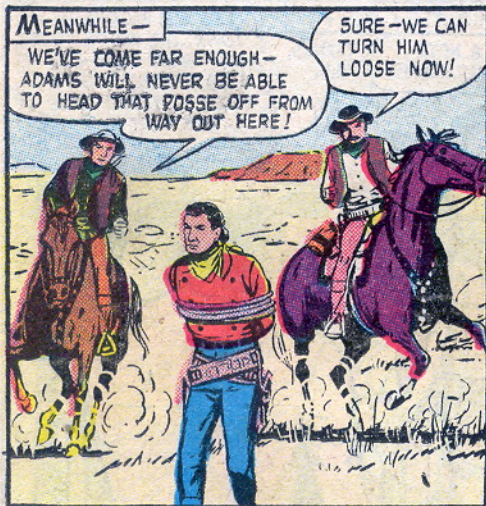
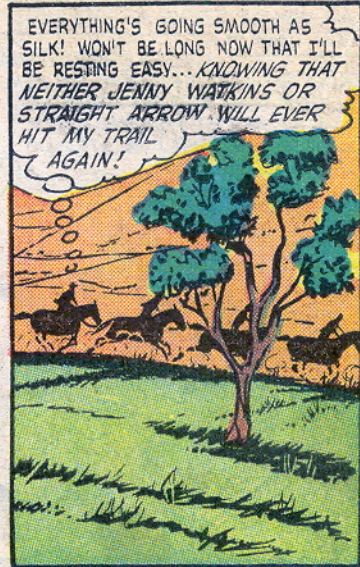
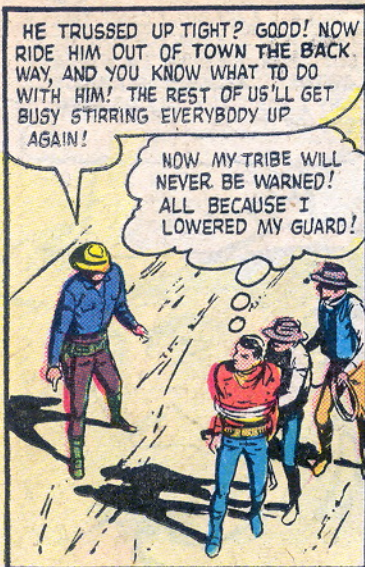


PACKY'S NOTE SAID HE'D BE HEREABOUTS! NOW WHERE IS HE...?



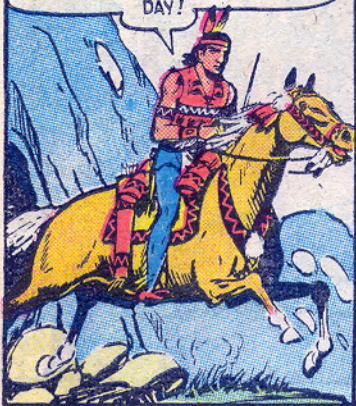
THAT'S WHAT COMES FROM HAVING YOUR MIND SET ON INJUN-SAVING, ADAMS!... YOU WALKED RIGHT INTO THIS TRAP!





FREED NOW, STEVE HEADS FOR THE SECRET CAVE—AND AFTER A QUICK CHANGE, GALLOPS OUT...AS STRAIGHT ARROW!

RIDE, FURY RIDE! IF WE DON'T REACH THEM IN TIME, MANY MEN WILL BE HURT, THIS DAY!

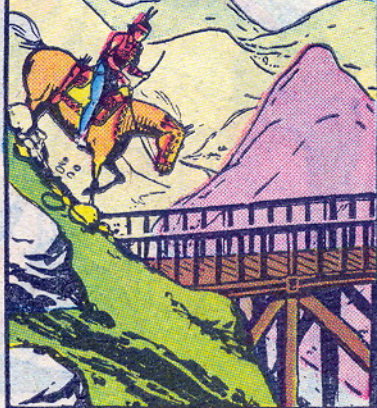


THE CROSS-COUNTRY ROUTE IS A PERILOUS ONE! OVER CHASMS...

STRETCH, FURY, STRETCH!



THAT BRIDGE AHEAD MAY HAVE BEEN WEAKENED BY THE SPRING THAW! BUT I HAVE TO CHANCE IT...!



THEN—

HU!



CURRENT'S TOO SWIFT...I'M BEING SWEEP AWAY! THAT BRANCH...!

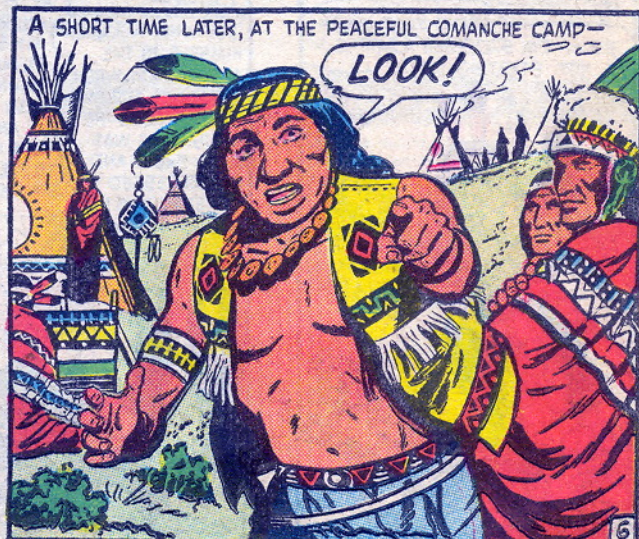


MADE IT! BUT LOST TOO MUCH TIME! NO CHANCE OF HEADING OFF THAT POSSE NOW...!



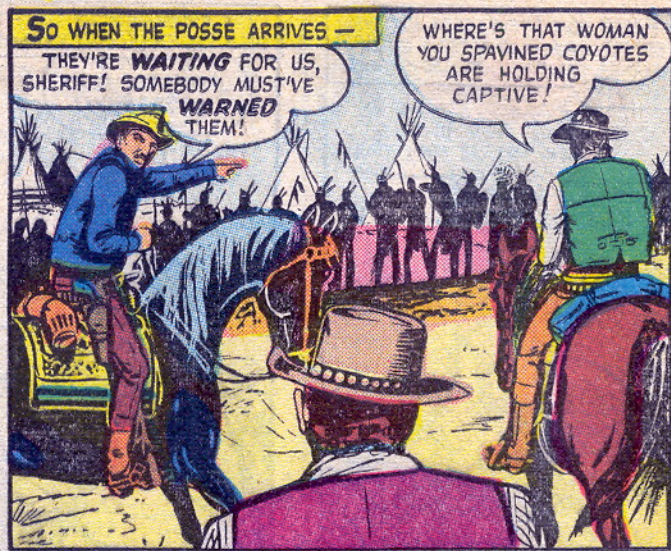
A SHORT TIME LATER, AT THE PEACEFUL COMANCHE CAMP—

LOOK!





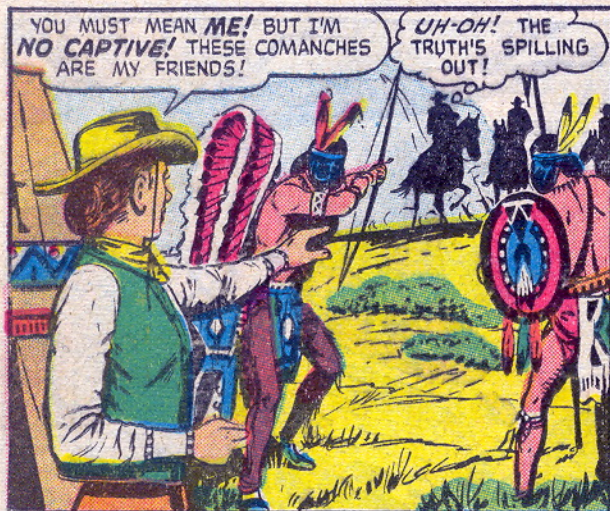
A SMOKE SIGNAL! IT SAYS... WE ARE TO BE ATTACKED!



SO WHEN THE POSSE ARRIVES —

THEY'RE **WAITING** FOR US, SHERIFF! SOMEBODY MUST'VE **WARNED** THEM!

WHERE'S THAT WOMAN YOU SPAVINED COYOTES ARE HOLDING CAPTIVE!



YOU MUST MEAN **ME!** BUT I'M **NO CAPTIVE!** THESE COMANCHES ARE MY FRIENDS!

UH-OH! THE TRUTH'S SPILLING OUT!



LUCKY I'M OVER HERE ON THE SIDE! ALL IT'LL TAKE IS ONE SHOT TO QUIET HER!



BUT THEN —

STAND FAST EVERYBODY! I'M **STOPPING** A BATTLE ... NOT STARTING ONE!

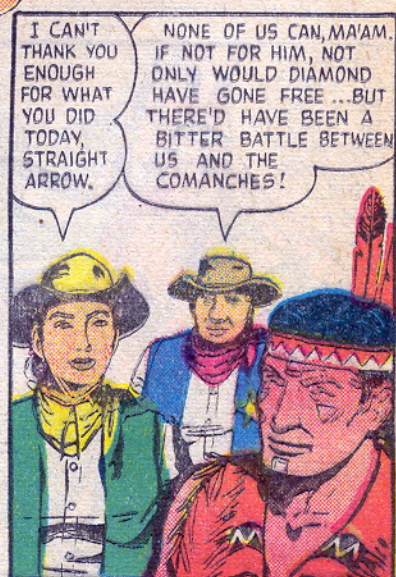
KRACK!



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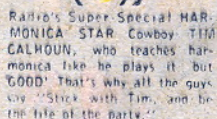
DIAMOND WOUNDED HIMSELF IN THE ARM, MA'AM, WHEN STRAIGHT ARROW JUMPED HIM! HE THOUGHT HE WAS HURT BAD... AND HE CONFESSED EVERYTHING!

AFTER YOU ANSWERED MY SMOKE SIGNAL, I MOUNTED FURY AGAIN ... AND GOT HERE IN TIME TO SEE HIM AIM HIS PISTOL



I CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH FOR WHAT YOU DID TODAY, STRAIGHT ARROW.

NONE OF US CAN, MA'AM. IF NOT FOR HIM, NOT ONLY WOULD DIAMOND HAVE GONE FREE ... BUT THERE'D HAVE BEEN A BITTER BATTLE BETWEEN US AND THE COMANCHES!



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STRAIGHT ARROW

SHE CAME WALKING ACROSS THE DESERT SANDS, ALONE AND UNPROTECTED. A GREEDY MAN WAS TRAILING HER—AND UNWITTINGLY, THE GREAT COMANCHE WAR CHIEF, **STRAIGHT ARROW** WAS TO LEAD HIM TO HIS PREY! WHAT IS THE SECRET BEHIND THE FLEEING GIRL? WHAT IS SHE HIDING? CAN **STRAIGHT ARROW** HELP HER? OR IS A FATAL END TO FIND—

**"THE GIRL
FROM THE DESERT"**

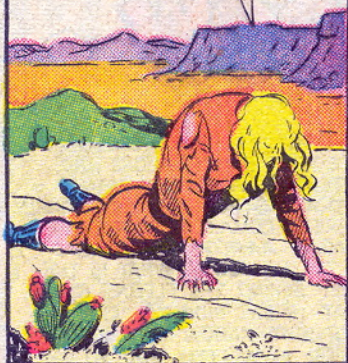
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A TINY FIGURE STAGGERS ACROSS THE VAST IMMENSITY OF THE GIANT'S OVEN DESERT. NEARER AND NEARER SHE COMES, ALMOST FALLING, PARCHED BY SUN AND NAGGING THIRST....

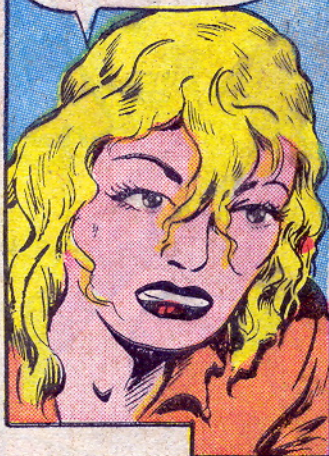
HAVE TO GET AWAY! CAN'T LET HIM FIND ME!

WHEN HER STRENGTH AT LAST
DESERTS HER, SHE FALLS...

CAN'T GO ON
ANY MORE....



HE'S SURE TO OVER-
TAKE ME NOW...BUT
I'M EXHAUSTED.... I
CAN'T CONTINUE....

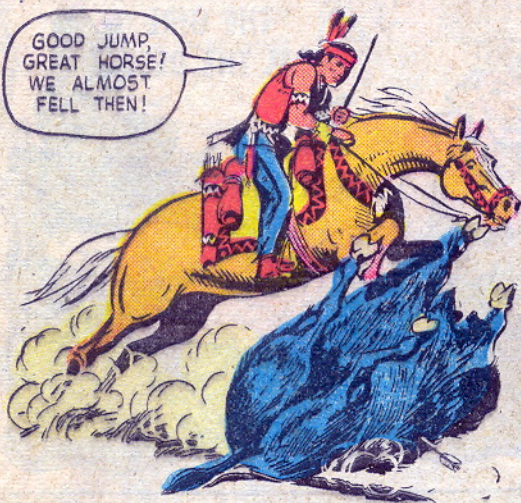


NOT FAR AWAY, **STRAIGHT ARROW**
HUNTS A BUFFALO BULL....

YOU MEAN FOOD FOR
COMANCHE STOMACHS, CLOTHES
AND SKIN FOR A NEW TEPEE!

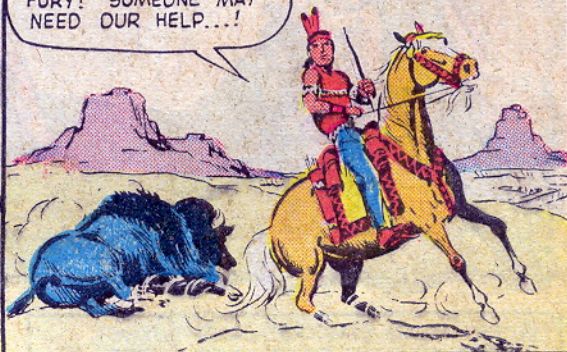


GOOD JUMP,
GREAT HORSE!
WE ALMOST
FELL THEN!



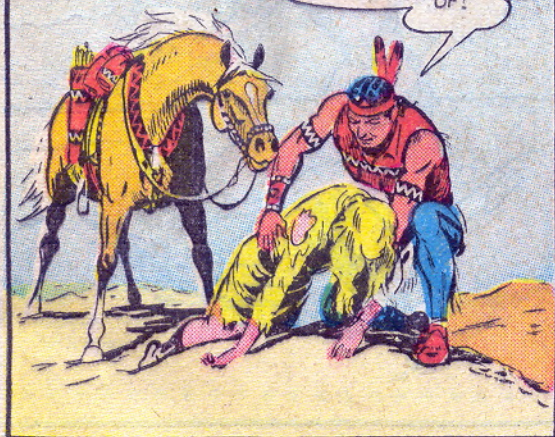
AS THE COMANCHE WAR CHIEF REINS IN, HIS EYES
ARE CAUGHT BY SMALL BLACK SPECKS IN THE
DISTANT SKY....

VULTURES! LET'S GO,
FURY! SOMEONE MAY
NEED OUR HELP...!



A LITTLE LATER...

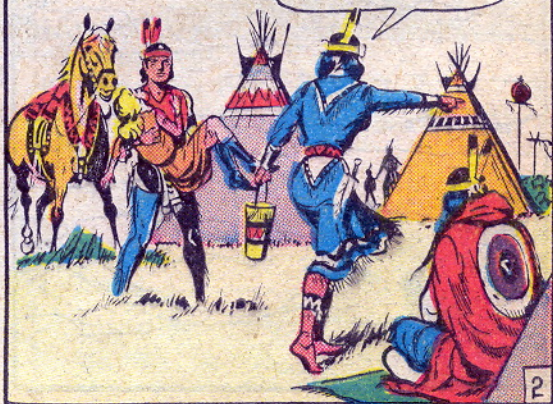
SHE'S UNCONSCIOUS!
I'LL HAVE TO TAKE HER
TO THE COMANCHE
VILLAGE SO THAT SHE
CAN BE TAKEN CARE
OF!

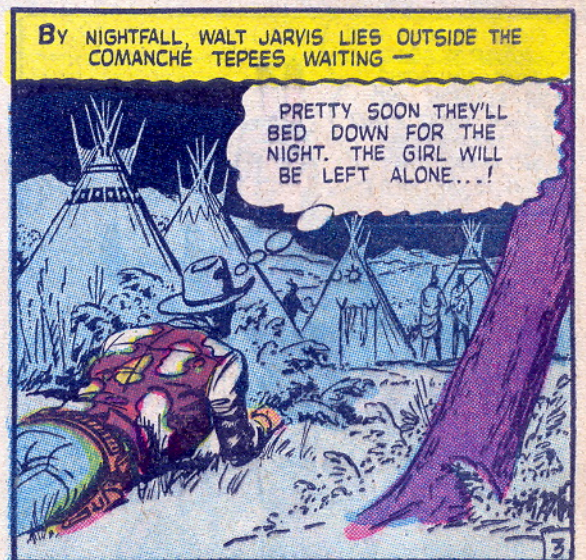
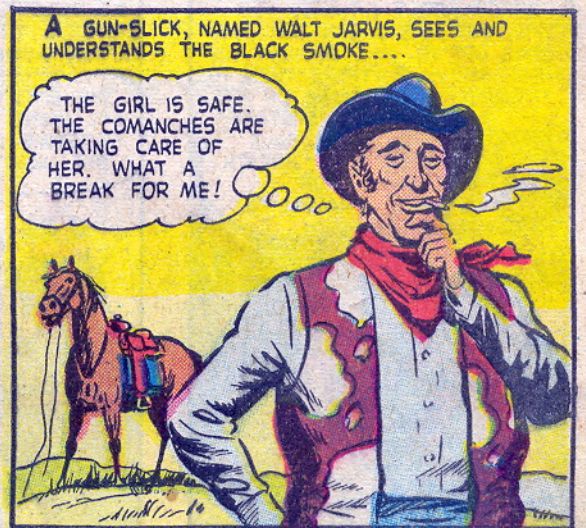
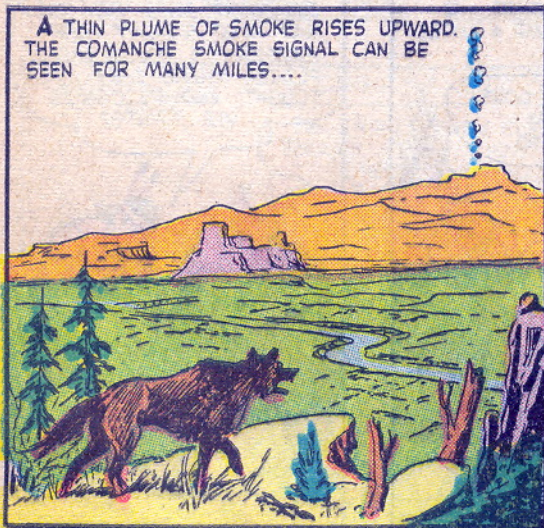


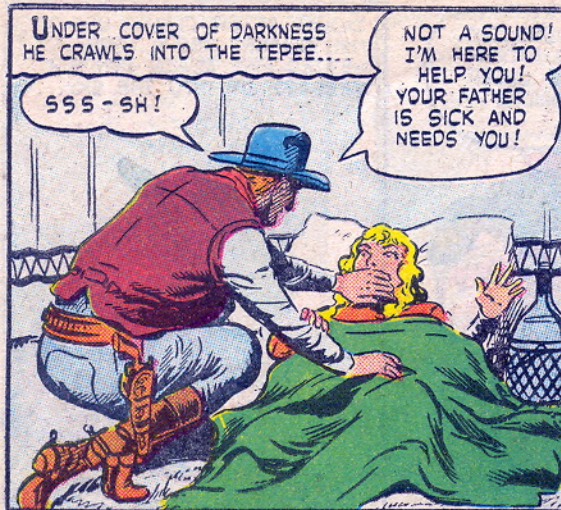
THREE HOURS LATER--AT THE COMANCHE VILLAGE...

FIND AN EMPTY
TEPEE, FAWN. THIS
GIRL NEEDS CARE!

THE LAST TEPEE,
STRAIGHT ARROW. IT
WAS TO BE USED TO
STORE FURS, BUT
HELPING THAT GIRL IS
MORE IMPORTANT....



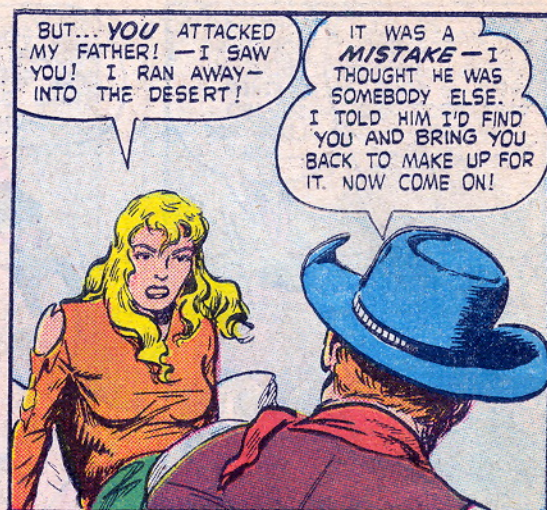




UNDER COVER OF DARKNESS
HE CRAWLS INTO THE TEPEE...

SSS-SH!

NOT A SOUND!
I'M HERE TO
HELP YOU!
YOUR FATHER
IS SICK AND
NEEDS YOU!



BUT... **YOU** ATTACKED
MY FATHER! — I SAW
YOU! I RAN AWAY—
INTO THE DESERT!

IT WAS A
MISTAKE — I
THOUGHT HE WAS
SOMEBODY ELSE.
I TOLD HIM I'D FIND
YOU AND BRING YOU
BACK TO MAKE UP FOR
IT. NOW COME ON!



I SHOULD TELL
STRAIGHT
ARROW ABOUT
THIS, BUT HE'S
GONE OFF TO
FIND MY
FATHER!

IF HE FINDS
HIM, HE'LL BE
THERE. YOU
CAN TELL HIM
I BROUGHT YOU
THERE THEN, TO
MAKE UP FOR
MY MISTAKE!
NOW SAVE
YOUR BREATH
FOR
TRAVELLING.



MEANWHILE, STRAIGHT
ARROW HAS BEEN OUT HUNT-
ING HELEN'S FATHER. HE
RETURNS TO CAMP A LITTLE
AFTER DAWN —

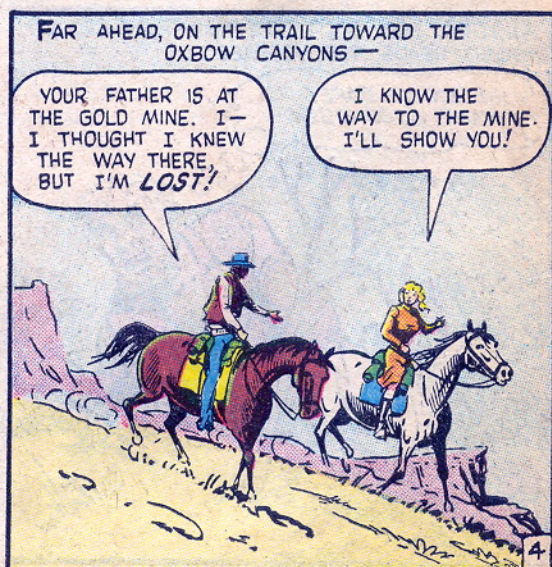
THE GIRL HAS GONE!
SHE WENT AWAY
SOMETIME DURING
THE NIGHT!



SHE WENT AWAY WITH
A MAN! MORE THAN THAT,
SHE WENT AWAY WITH THE
MAN WHO FOUGHT HER
FATHER — I FOUND THE
PLACE WHERE THEY
FOUGHT, AND RECOGNIZE
HIS PRINTS!



SHE'S WALKING INTO
A TRAP OF SOME
KIND! I'M GOING
TO FOLLOW AND
LEARN WHAT *KIND*
OF TRAP IT IS,
AND WHAT THAT
MAN IS AFTER!

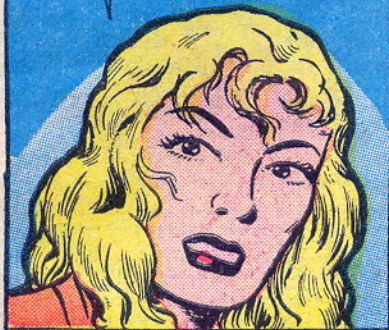


FAR AHEAD, ON THE TRAIL TOWARD THE
OXBOW CANYONS —

YOUR FATHER IS AT
THE GOLD MINE. I—
I THOUGHT I KNEW
THE WAY THERE,
BUT I'M **LOST**!

I KNOW THE
WAY TO THE MINE.
I'LL SHOW YOU!

I WISH I KNEW WHETHER YOU WERE TELLING THE TRUTH OR NOT! BUT I **HAVE** TO BELIEVE YOU—JUST ON THE CHANCE THAT MY FATHER IS ILL AND NEEDS ME. NOTHING MATTERS BUT HIM AND HIS SAFETY! TURN LEFT UP AHEAD FOR THE MINE—



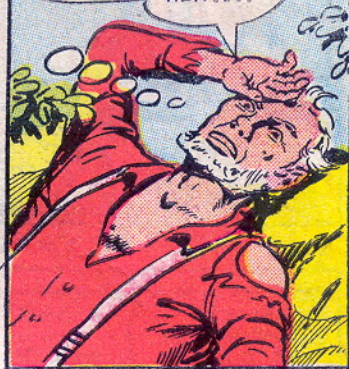
UNSEEN BY HELEN DAVIS—

HELEN WITH JARVIS! I'M TOO WEAK TO CALL THAT FAR AND WARN HER! HE'S ONLY USING HER TO SHOW THE WAY TO MY GOLD MINE...!



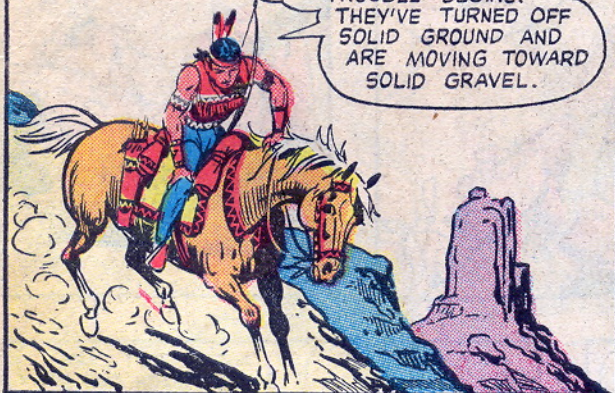
JARVIS ATTACKED ME AND FOUGHT ME TO GET THE MAP TO MY GOLD MINE. HELEN SAW HIM FIGHT ME AND RAN OFF. HE MUST HAVE CAUGHT HER.

NOW SHE'S TAKING HIM TO THE MINE—AND I CAN'T STOP HER...!



FOLLOWING THE TRAIL COMES THE GREAT COMANCHE WAR CHIEF—

THE TRAIL'S BEEN CLEAR ENOUGH, SO FAR. NOW THE TROUBLE BEGINS. THEY'VE TURNED OFF SOLID GROUND AND ARE MOVING TOWARD SOLID GRAVEL.



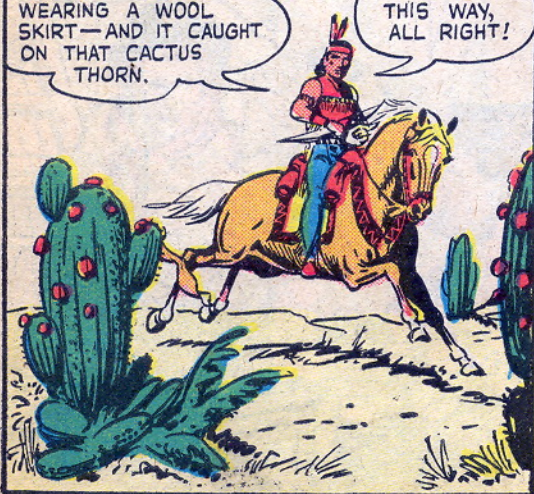
THE KEEN EYES OF AN INDIAN TRACKER SEE CLUES WHERE NO WHITE MAN WOULD SEE THEM—

THE HORSE SLIPPED. HIS IRON SHOE SCRATCHED THIS STONE!

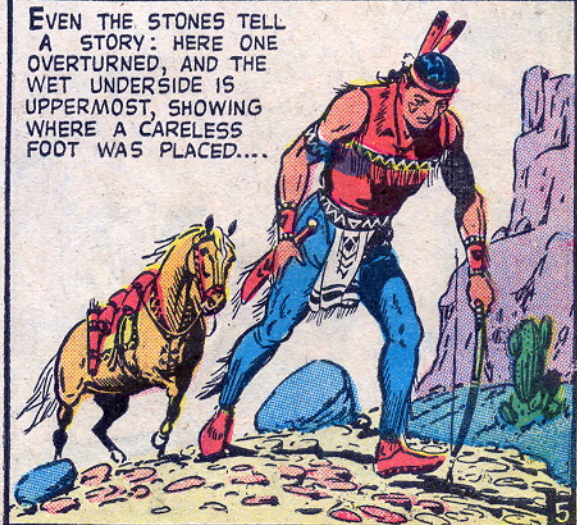


HELEN DAVIS WAS WEARING A WOOL SKIRT—AND IT CAUGHT ON THAT CACTUS THORN.

THEY CAME THIS WAY, ALL RIGHT!

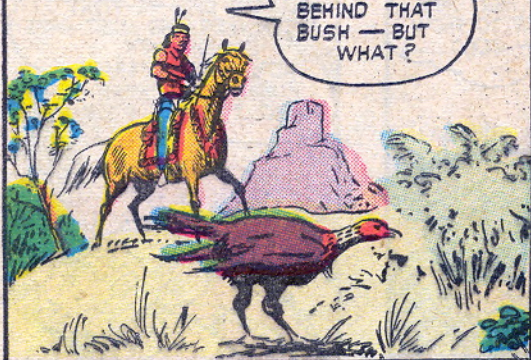


EVEN THE STONES TELL A STORY: HERE ONE OVERTURNED, AND THE WET UNDERSIDE IS UPPERMOST, SHOWING WHERE A CARELESS FOOT WAS PLACED....

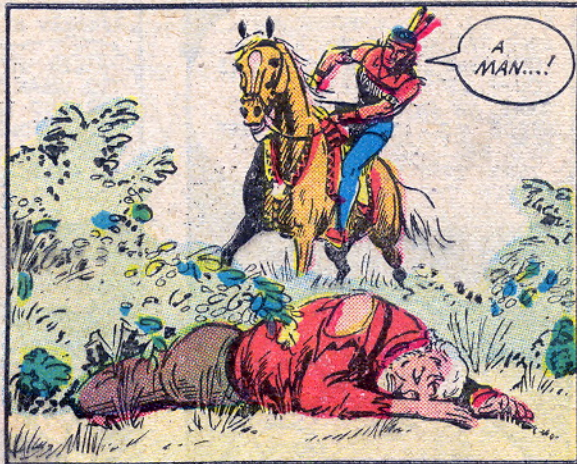


SUDDENLY STRAIGHT ARROW'S ATTENTION IS CAUGHT BY THE SUSPICIOUS ACTIONS OF A ROADHEN —

SOMETHING'S
BEHIND THAT
BUSH — BUT
WHAT?



A
MAN...!



YOU WILL BE
ALL RIGHT...
BUT IT IS WELL
THAT I CAME
ALONG WHEN
I DID.

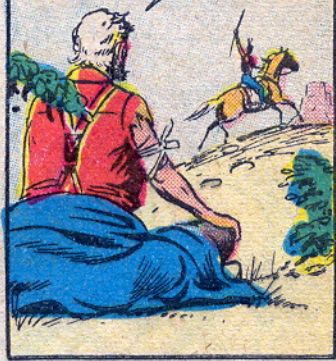
ISN'T
MYSELF
I'M
WORRIED
ABOUT.
IT'S MY
DAUGHTER,
HELEN!



GO AFTER
THEM! SHE'S
TAKING
JARVIS TO MY
GOLD MINE.
I DON'T WANT
HER HARMED!
LISTEN! I'LL
TELL YOU
EXACTLY HOW
TO FIND THE
MINE...

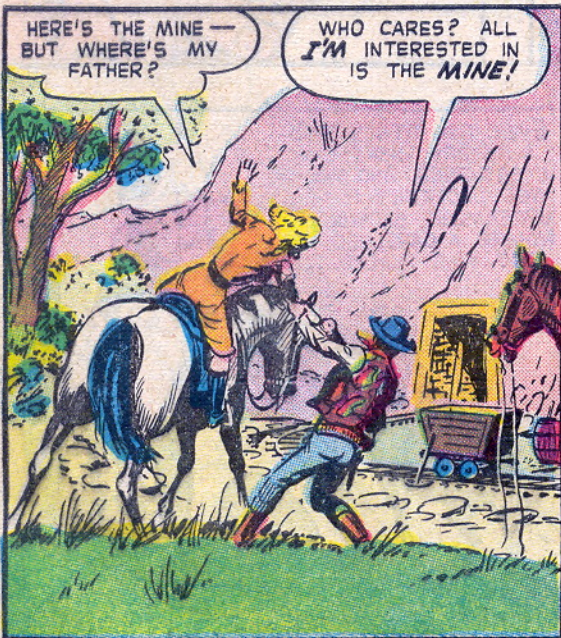


YESSIRREE, BOB! YOU
DON'T KNOW WHAT'S
COMING AFTER YOU,
JARVIS! I WOULDN'T
WANT TO BE IN YOUR
SHOES WHEN STRAIGHT
ARROW FINDS YOU!



HERE'S THE MINE —
BUT WHERE'S MY
FATHER?

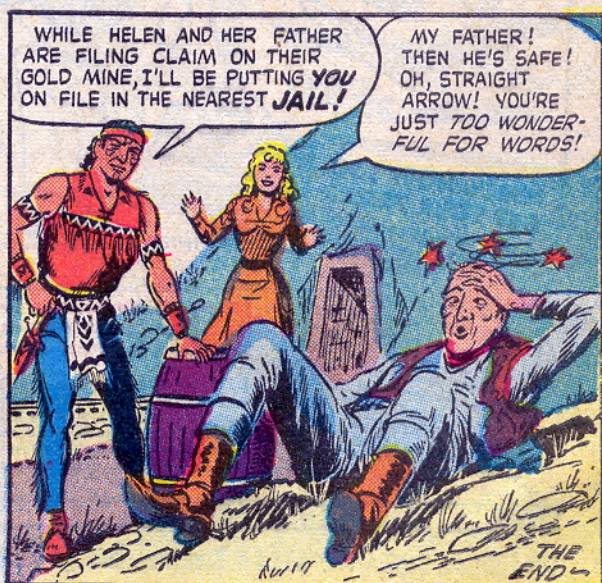
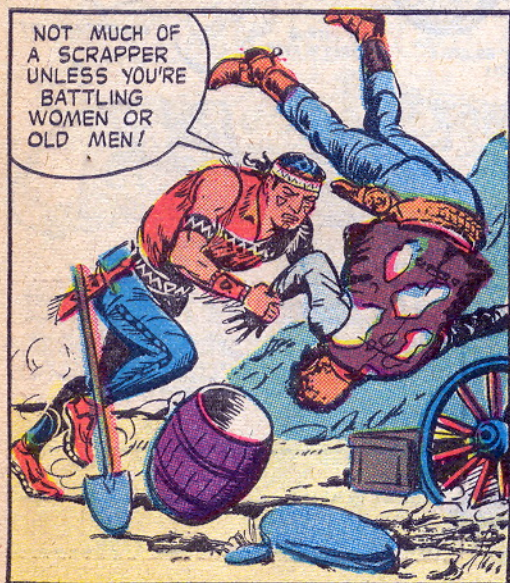
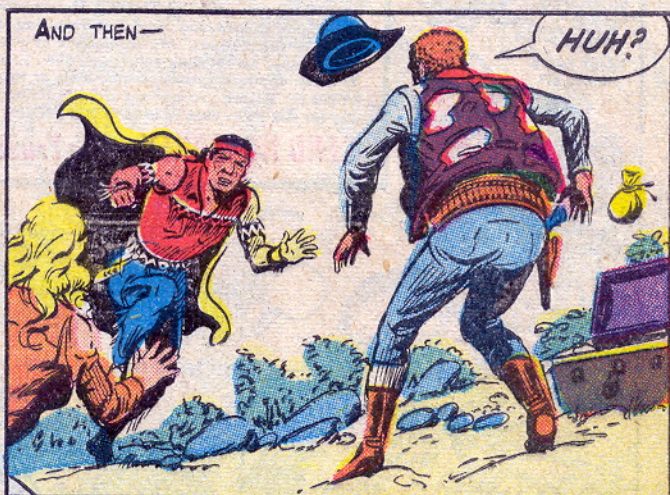
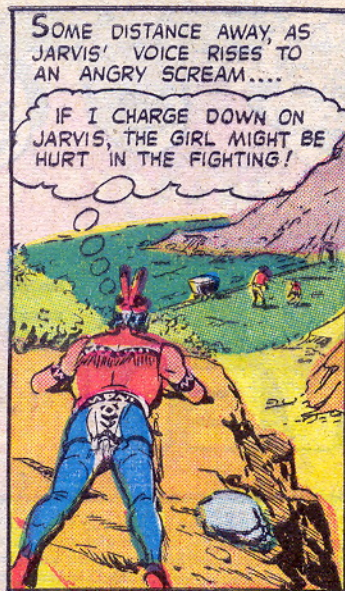
WHO CARES? ALL
I'M INTERESTED IN
IS THE **MINE!**



Y-YOU T-TRICKED
ME! YOU DON'T
KNOW WHERE
MY FATHER IS!

AND I DON'T CARE!
WOW! EACH ONE OF
THESE LEATHER SACKS
IS FAT WITH GOLD
NUGGETS!





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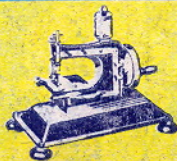


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PLANE FLIES
500 FEET!

WALKING
DOLL



TABLE TENNIS SET



SEWING MACHINE



BOYS' OR GIRLS'
BICYCLE



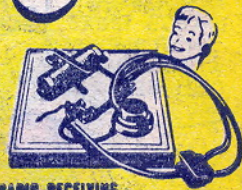
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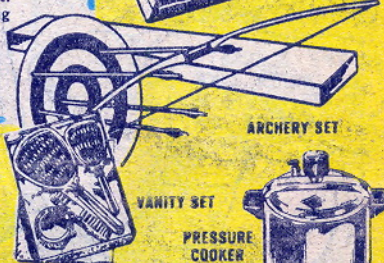
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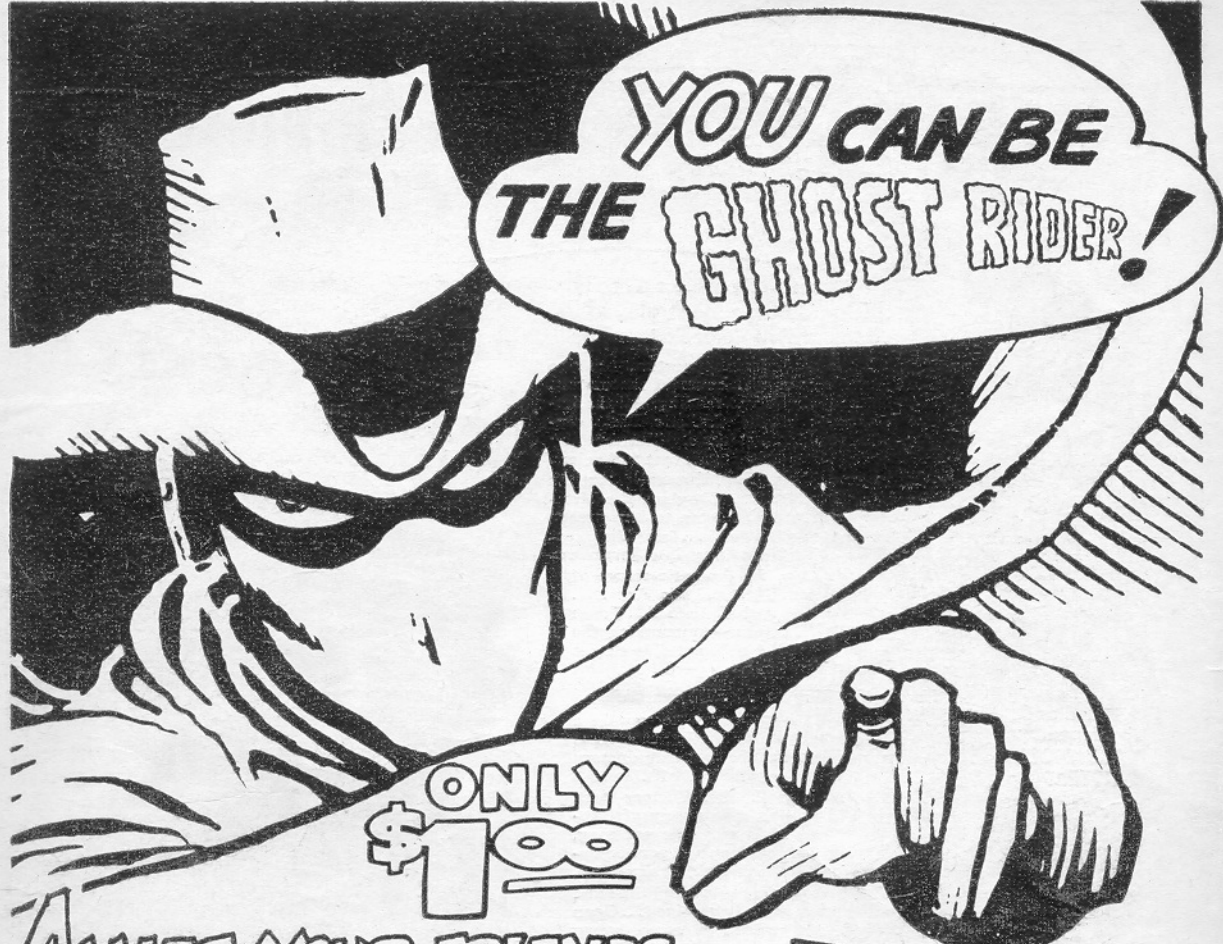
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